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## **CREDITABLE COVERAGE**

## New Health Insurance Marketplace Coverage Options and Your Health Coverage

There is a new way to buy health insurance: The Health Insurance Marketplace. To assist you as you evaluate options for you and your family, this notice provides some basic information about the new Marketplace and employment-based health coverage offered by your employer.

What is the Health Insurance Marketplace? The Marketplace is designed to help you find health insurance that meets your needs and fits your budget. The Marketplace offers "one-stop shopping" to find and compare private health insurance options. You may also be eligible for a new kind of tax credit that lowers your monthly premium right away. For specific information about open enrollment for health insurance coverage through the Marketplace, please go to <a href="https://www.healthcare.gov">www.healthcare.gov</a>.

Can I Save Money on my Health Insurance Premiums in the Marketplace? You may qualify to save money and lower your monthly premium, but only if your employer does not offer coverage, or offers coverage that doesn't meet certain standards. The savings on your premium that you're eligible for depends on your household income.

Does Employer Health Coverage Affect Eligibility for Premium Savings through the Marketplace? Yes. If you have an offer of health coverage from your employer that meets certain standards, you will not be eligible for a tax credit through the Marketplace and may wish to enroll in your employer's health plan. However, you may be eligible for a tax credit that lowers your monthly premium or a reduction in certain cost-sharing if your employer does not offer coverage to you at all or does not offer coverage that meets certain standards. If the cost of a plan from your employer that would cover you (and not any other members of your family) is more than the current threshold (% as determined by the DOL) of your household income for the year, or if the coverage your employer provides does not meet the "minimum value" standard set by the Affordable Care Act, you may be eligible for a tax credit. An employer-sponsored health plan meets the "min-imum value standard" if the plan's share of the total allowed benefits costs covered by the plan is no less than 60% of such costs. Note: If you purchase a health plan through the Marketplace instead of accepting health coverage offered by your employer, then you may lose the employer contribution (if any) to the employer-offered coverage. Also, this employer contribution, as well as your employee contribution to employer-offered coverage, is often excluded from income for Federal and State income tax purposes. Your payments for coverage through the Marketplace are made on an after-tax basis.

How Can I Get More Information? For more information about your coverage offered by your employer, please check your summary plan description or contact your human resources department.

The Marketplace can help you evaluate your coverage options, including your eligibility for coverage through the Marketplace and its cost. Please visit <a href="www.healthcare.gov">www.healthcare.gov</a> for more information, including an online application for health insurance coverage and contact information for a Health Insurance Marketplace in your area.

\*An employer-sponsored health plan meets the "minimum value standard" if the plan's share of the total allowed benefit costs covered by the plan is no less than 60% of such costs (Section 36B(c)(2)C)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986).

### **Availability of Notice of Privacy Practices**

This Company's group health Plan is required by law to provide notice of the Plan's duties and privacy practices with respect to covered individuals' pro-tected health information by providing a Notice of Privacy Practices (NOPP) to participants. The Plan's NOPP is available upon request. To obtain a copy of the NOPP, or for more information regarding the Plan's privacy policies or your rights under HIPAA, contact this Company's human resources department

#### **Patient Protection Disclosure**

This Company's group health plan may require the designation of a primary care provider. You have the right to designate any primary care provider who participates in the health plan's network and who is available to accept you or your family members. For information on how to select a primary care provider, and for a list of the participating primary care providers, contact human resources or go to the insurer's website. For children, you may designate a pediatrician as the primary care provider. You do not need prior authorization from the group health plan or the insurer or from any other person (including a primary care provider) in order to obtain access to obstetrical or gynecological care from a healthcare professional in our network who specializes in obstetrics or gynecology. The healthcare professional, however, may be required to comply with certain procedures, including obtaining prior authorization for certain services, following a pre-approved treatment plan, or procedures for making referrals. For a list of participating healthcare professionals who specialize in obstetrics or gynecology, contact human resources or go to our insurer's website.

## **HIPAA Special Enrollment Rights**

HIPAA requires we notify you about your right to later enroll yourself and eligible dependents for coverage in this Company's health plan under "special enrollment provisions" briefly described below.

Loss of Other Coverage. If you decline enrollment for yourself or for an eligible dependent because you have other group health plan coverage or other health insurance, you may be able to enroll yourself and your dependents under this Company's health plan if you or your dependents lose eligibility for that other coverage, or if the other employer stops contributing toward your or your dependents' other coverage. You must request enrollment within 30 days after you or your dependents' other coverage ends, or after the other employer stops contributing toward the other coverage.

New Dependent by Marriage, Birth, Adoption, or Placement for Adoption. If you gain a new dependent as a result of a marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption, you may be able to enroll yourself and your new dependents under this Company's health plan. You must request enrollment within 30 days after the marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption. In the event you acquire a new dependent by birth, adoption, or placement

In the event you acquire a new dependent by birth, adoption, or placement for adoption for adoption, you may also be able to enroll your spouse, if your spouse was not previously covered.

Enrollment Due to Medicaid/CHIP Events. If you or your eligible dependents

are not already enrolled in this Company's health plan, you may be able to enroll yourself and your eligible dependents if: (i) you or your dependents lose coverage under a state Medicaid or children's health insurance program (CHIP), or (ii) you or your dependents become eligible for premium assistance under state Medicaid or CHIP. You must request enrollment within 60 days from the date of the Medicaid/CHIP event. The CHIP Model Notice containing additional information about this right as well as contact information for state assistance is included below. You may also request a copy from your human resources department.

Please contact your human resources department for details, including the effective dates of coverage applicable to each of these special enrollment provisions. Additional information regarding your rights to enroll in group health coverage is found in the applicable group health plan summary plan description(s) or insurance contract(s).

### Women's Heath and Cancer Rights Act of 1998

If you have had or are going to have a mastectomy, you may be entitled to certain benefits under the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998 (WHCRA). For individuals receiving mastectomy-related benefits, coverage will be provided in a manner determined in consultation with the attending physician and the patient, for:

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- 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.

These benefits will be provided subject to the same deductibles and coinsurance or copays applicable to other medical and surgical benefits provided under this Plan. Therefore, the deductibles and coinsurance shown in the medical section of your benefits guide apply. If you would like more information on WHCRA benefits, call your human resources department.

#### Newborns' and Mothers; Health Protection Act of 1996

Group health plans and health insurance issuers generally may not, under federal law, restrict benefits for any hospital length of stay in connection with childbirth for the mother or newborn child to less than 48 hours following a vaginal delivery, or less than 96 hours following a cesarean section. However, federal law generally does not prohibit the mother's or newborn's attending provider, after consulting with the mother, from discharging the mother or her newborn earlier than 48 hours (or 96 hours as applicable). In any case, plans and issuers may not, under federal law, require that a provider obtain authorization from the plan or the issuer for prescribing a length of stay not in excess of 48 hours (or 96 hours).

#### Michelle's Law

A new law went into effect for health plans beginning January 1, 2010 called Michelle's law. This law is a result of a medically necessary leave of absence from a post-secondary educational institution or other change in enrollment that: (1) begins while the child is suffering from a serious illness or injury; (2) is certified by a physician as being medically necessary; and (3) causes the child to lose student status for purposes of coverage under the plan. If the dependent child's treating physician does not provide written documentation the child is suffering from a serious illness or injury and the leave of absence is medically necessary, the plan will not provide continued coverage.

### Important Notice About Your Prescription Drug Coverage and Medicare

This notice has information about your current prescription drug coverage with this Company and about your options under Medicare's prescription drug coverage. This information can help you decide whether or not you want to join a Medicare drug plan.

If you are considering joining, you should compare your current coverage, including which drugs are covered at what cost, with the coverage and costs of the plans offering Medicare prescription drug coverage in your area. Information about where you can get help to make decisions about your prescription drug coverage is at the end of this notice. There are two important things you need to know about your current coverage and Medicare's prescription drug coverage: Medicare prescription drug coverage became available in 2006 to everyone with Medicare. You can get this coverage if you join a Medicare Prescription Drug Plan or join a Medicare Advantage Plan (like an HMO or PPO) that offers prescription drug coverage. All Medicare drug plans provide at least a standard level of coverage set by Medicare. Some plans may also offer more coverage for a higher monthly premium. This Company has determined that the prescription drug coverage offered by this Company's group health plan is, on average for all plan participants, expected to pay out as much as standard Medicare prescription drug coverage pays and is therefore considered Creditable Coverage. Because your existing coverage is Creditable Coverage, you can keep this coverage and not pay a higher premium (a penalty) if you later decide to join a Medicare drug plan.

When Can You Join A Medicare Drug Plan? You can join a Medicare drug plan when you first become eligible for Medicare and each year from October 15th to December 7th. However, if you lose your current creditable prescription drug coverage, through no fault of your own, you will also be eligible for a two (2) month Special Enrollment Period (SEP) to join a Medicare drug plan. What Happens To Your Current Coverage If You Decide to Join A Medicare Drug Plan? If you decide to join a Medicare drug plan, your current coverage with this Company will not be affected, that is, you can keep this coverage if you elect part D and this plan will coordinate with Part D coverage. If you do decide to join a Medicare drug plan and drop your current Company coverage, be aware that you and your dependents may not be able to get this coverage back.

When Will You Pay A Higher Premium (Penalty) To Join A Medicare Drug Plan? You should also know that if you drop or lose your current coverage with this Company and don't join a Medicare drug plan within 63 continuous days after your current coverage ends, you may pay a higher premium (a penalty) to join a Medicare drug plan later.

If you go 63 continuous days or longer without creditable prescription drug coverage, your monthly premium may go up by at least 1% of the Medicare base beneficiary premium per month for every month that you did not have that coverage. For example, if you go nineteen months without creditable coverage, your premium may consistently be at least 19% higher than the Medicare base beneficiary premium. You may have to pay this higher premium (a penalty) as long as you have Medicare prescription drug coverage. In addition, you may have to wait until the following October to join. For More Information about This Notice or Your Current Prescription Drug Coverage: Contact your human resources department for more information. NOTE: You'll get this notice each year and if this coverage through this Company changes. You also may request a copy of this notice at any time. For More Information about Your Options under Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage: More detailed information about Medicare plans that offer prescription drug coverage is in the "Medicare & You" handbook. You'll get a copy of the handbook in the mail every year from Medicare. You may also be contacted directly by Medicare drug plans.

For more information about Medicare prescription drug coverage: Visit <a href="https://www.medicare.gov">www.medicare.gov</a> or call your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (see the inside back cover of your copy of the "Medicare & You" handbook for their telephone number) for personalized help. Call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048. If you have limited income and resources, extra help paying for Medicare prescription drug coverage is available. For information about this extra help, visit Social Security on the web at <a href="https://www.socialsecurity.gov">www.socialsecurity.gov</a> or call them at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778).

Remember: Keep this Creditable Coverage notice. If you decide to join one of the Medicare drug plans, you may be required to provide a copy of this notice when you join to show whether or not you have maintained creditable coverage and, therefore, whether or not you are required to pay a higher premium (a penalty).

## 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

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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 (see next page), you may be eligible for assistance paying your employer health plan premiums. The following list of States is current as of January 31, 2021. You should contact your State for further information on eligibility.

## **Wellness Program Alternative Standard**

(Applicable if your employer sponsors an employee wellness program) If it is unreasonably difficult due to a medical condition for you to achieve the standards for the reward under this Company's wellness program, or if it is medically inadvisable for you to attempt to achieve the standards for the reward under this program, contact human resources and we will work with you to develop another way to qualify for the reward.

STATE	PROGRAM	WEBSITE	PHONE/EMAIL
Alabama	Medicaid	www.myalhipp.com	855-692-5447
Alaska	Medicaid	http://myakhipp.com/,	866-251-4861,
		http://dhss.alaska.gov/dpa/Pages/medicaid/default.aspx	customerservice@myakhipp.com
Arkansas	Medicaid	http://myarhipp.com/	1-855-MyARHIPP (855-692-7447)
California	Medicaid	Website: Health Insurance Premium Payment (HIPP) Program	Phone: 916-445-8322
		http://dhcs.ca.gov/hipp	Email: hipp@dhcs.ca.gov
Colorado	Health First Colorado	Health First Colorado Website:	Health First Colorado Member Contact
	(Colorado's Medicaid	https://www.healthfirstcolorado.com/	Center: 1-800-221-3943/ State Relay 711
	Program) & Child	CHP+: https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/child-health-plan-plus	CHP+ Customer Service: 1-800-359-1991/
	Health Plan Plus	Health Insurance Buy-In Program (HIBI): https://www.colorado.gov/	State Relay 711
	(CHP+)	pacific/hcpf/health-insurance-buy-program	HIBI Customer Service: 1-855-692-6442
Florida	Medicaid	https://www.flmedicaidtplrecovery.com/flmedicaidtplrecovery.com/hipp/index.html	1-877-357-3268
Georgia	Medicaid	https://medicaid.georgia.gov/health-insurance-premium-	678-564-1162 ext 2131
		payment-program-hipp	
Indiana	Medicaid	Healthy Indiana Plan for Low income adults 19-64 -	Healthy Indiana Plan -877-438-4479
		http://www.in.gov/fssa/hip	Medicaid – 1-800-457-4584
	Medicaid & CHIP	Other Medicaid - http://www.indianamedicaid.com  Medicaid Website: https://dhs.iowa.gov/ime/members	Medicaid Phone: 1-800-338-8366
iowa	(Hawki)	Hawki Website: http://dhs.iowa.gov/Hawki	Hawki Phone: 1-800-257-8563
	(Hawki)	HIPP Website: https://dhs.iowa.gov/ime/members/medicaid-a-to-	HIPP Phone: 1-888-346-9562
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Kansas	Medicaid	www.kdheks.gov/hcf/	1-800-792-4884
Kentucky	Kentucky Integrated	KI-HIPP Website: https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms/member/	KI-HIPP Phone: 1-855-459-6328
	Health Insurance Premium Payment	Pages/kihipp.aspx KCHIP Website: https://kidshealth.ky.gov/Pages/index.aspx	KI-HIPP Email: KIHIPP.PROGRAM@ky.gov KCHIP Phone: 1-877-524-4718
	Program (KI-HIPP) &	Kentucky Medicaid Website: https://chfs.ky.gov	KCIII 1 Holle: 1-077-324-4710
	KCHIP & Medicaid		
Louisiana	Medicaid	www.medicaid.la.gov or www.ldh.la.gov/lahipp	1-888-342-6207 (Medicaid hotline) or
			1-855-618-5488 (LaHIPP)
Maine	Medicaid	Enrollment Website: https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ofi/applications-forms	Phone: 1-800-442-6003; TTY: Maine relay 711
		Private Health Insurance Premium Webpage: https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ofi/applications-forms	Phone: 1-800-977-6740; TTY: Maine relay 711
Massachusetts	Medicaid and CHIP	https://www.mass.gov/info-details/masshealth-premium-assistance-pa	1-800-862-4840
Minnesota	Medicaid	https://mn.gov/dhs/people-we-serve/children-and-families/health-care/	1-800-657-3739
		health-care-programs/programs-and-services/other-insurance.jsp	
Missouri	Medicaid	www.dss.mo.gov/mhd/participants/pages/hipp.htm	573-751-2005
Montana	Medicaid	http://dphhs.mt.gov/MontanaHealthcarePrograms/HIPP	800-694-3084
Nebraska	Medicaid	http://www.ACCESSNebraska.ne.gov	855-632-7633, Lincoln: 402-473-7000,
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Nevada	Medicaid	https://dhcfp.nv.gov	800-992-0900
New Hampshire	Medicaid	https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/oii/hipp.htm	603-271-5218 800-852-3345, ext. 5218
New Jersey	Medicaid and CHIP	www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmahs/clients/medicaid/	609-631-2392
	Wicalcala and crin	www.njfamilycare.org/index.html	800-701-0710 CHIP
New York	Medicaid	www.nyhealth.gov/health_care/medicaid/	800-541-2831
North Carolina	Medicaid	https://medicaid.ncdhhs.gov/	919-855-4100
North Dakota	Medicaid	www.nd.gov/dhs/services/medicalserv/medicaid/	844-854-4825
OKLAHOMA	Medicaid and CHIP	www.insureoklahoma.org	888-365-3742
Oregon	Medicaid	http://healthcare.oregon.gov/Pages/index.aspx,	800-699-9075
Danasak 1-	A A - di i d	http://www.oregonhealthcare.gov/index-es.html	4.000.002.7462
Pennsylvania	Medicaid	https://www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/Providers/Pages/Medical/HIPP-	1-800-692-7462
Rhode Island	Medicaid and CHIP	Program.aspx http://www.eohhs.ri.gov/	1-855-697-4347 or 401-462-0311 (Direct Rite Share Line
South Carolina	Medicaid and ChiP	www.scdhhs.gov	888-549-0820
South Dakota	Medicaid	http://dss.sd.gov	888-828-0059
Texas	Medicaid	https://www.gethipptexas.com/	800-440-0493
Utah	Medicaid and CHIP	Medicaid Website: https://medicaid.utah.gov/,	877-543-7669
**		CHIP Website: http://health.utah.gov/chip	
Vermont	Medicaid	www.greenmountaincare.org/	800-250-8427
Virginia	Medicaid and CHIP	https://www.coverva.org/hipp/	Medicaid Phone: 1-800-432-5924
			CHIP Phone: 1-855-242-8282
Washington	Medicaid	https://www.hca.wa.gov/	1-800-562-3022
West Virginia	Medicaid	http://myWVHIPP	855-MyWVHIPP (1-855-699-8447)
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To see if any more states have added a premium assistance program since January 31, 2021 or for more information on special enrollment rights, you can contact either: U.S. Department of Labor, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Employee Benefits Security Administration,
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services <a href="www.dol.gov/ebsa">www.dol.gov/ebsa</a>, <a href="www.cms.hhs.gov">www.cms.hhs.gov</a>, 866-444-EBSA (3272), 877-267-2323, Menu Option 4, Ext. 61565.