Insurance Advisory Committee Meeting Notice and Agenda January 26, 2022 10:00 A.M.

Via ZOOM Teleconference

Call to Order	RK
Approval of Minutes of October 2021	RK
Financial Report (Vote) Month December 2021 Income & Expenses & Operating Expenses For Trust and Wellness Initiative	JS
Wellness Update	MK
Covid Impacts	JS
Medical Coverage Review	JS
Executive Committee Opening (vote)	JS
Life Insurance Rate Renewal (vote)	JS
FY Rate Recommendation Discussion (vote)	JS
Administrative	JS
Adjournment	RK

Meeting Schedule

Executive Committee – February 16, 2022, 9:00 a.m., via Zoom Executive Committee – March 16, 2022, 9:00 a.m., via Zoom Insurance Advisory Committee – April 13, 2022, 10:00 a.m., via Zoom Joseph Shea is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

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TO: All Member Trust Units

RE: Minutes of October 6, 2021

Insurance Advisory Committee Via Zoom Teleconference

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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Lisa Banner	Jane Wolfe	Lisa Blackmer
Marguerite Willis	Lynn Dyer	Meg McWherter
Leann Fanion	Paula Harrison	Jan Warner
Barbara Hancock	Rich Carmignani Jr.	Emily Russo
Jennifer Eichorn	Russ Kaubris	Linda Gross
Shelley Poreda	Deborah Kuhn	Christopher Martin
Maureen Humphrey	Joan Zuzgo	Mary Baronas
Sharon Strzegowski	Virginia Gabert	Eileen Seymour
Gabriele Voelker	Jessalyn Zaykoski	Michele Turner
Sues'Anne Jason	Janice Boudreau	Angelina Bragdon
Terie Fluery	Ryan Mailloux	Heather Rock
Michael Sullivan	Jennifer Day	Irene Houle
Stephanie Douglass		110010

OTHERS PRESENT:

Joseph Shea Michele Komosa Donna Whiteley Patrick McIntyre	Cynthia Smith Heidi Fountain Ashley Brown Amber Robidoux	Diane Sexton Kathy Hannon Nadine Coughlan Sarah Kimball
Gloria Congram		

CALL TO ORDER

In compliance with the Governor's orders suspending certain provisions of the open meeting laws due to Covid-19, this meeting was held via Zoom telephone/video conference.

Before beginning the meeting, Chairman Russ Kaubris gave a brief over-view of who the Trust is as a reminder for folks and introduction for new meeting participants. Russ stated the Trust was formed under MGL Chapter 32B. We service 69 units including towns, school districts, fire, and police, across Franklin County and Hampshire County, with a few in Hampden County and Worcester County as well. We are a self-insured Trust which means we set our premium rates and benefit plan design; all premiums collected in turn pay all claims for coverage.

Chairman Russ Kaubris called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. with a quorum present of 88.64% of the weighted vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Russ Kaubris requested that the minutes of July 21,2021 be approved by unanimous consent, all were in favor.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Month of August 2021

The Financial Report showed a starting cash balance for August of \$8,840,726.73 with a total monthly income of \$5,414,913.05. The monthly expenses totaled \$7,467,790.98 leaving a total net monthly income of (\$2,052,877.93). The accounts receivable balance was \$1,287,994.05 which if paid on time would have left us with a balance of \$42,696,462.25.

Investments and CD's for August 2021

The investments portfolio value was \$13,713,195.68 with a market change of \$177,509.88 leaving a total of \$13,890,705.56. The starting balance in CD's was \$16,152,233.17, with interest earned of \$4,170.56 leaving a balance of \$16,156,403.73.

Chairman Russ Kaubris requested that the financial report be approved by unanimous consent, all were in favor.

WELLNESS UPDATE

Michele gave an update on the Wellness Initiative program:

- **Ahealthyme** The FY21 campaign ended with 400 participants. The new campaign began July 1st.
- Online Classes There were recently 4 online classes offered: 2 cooking classes, 1 on Time and Self Health, and 1 on Gut Health. Michele is working with Wellable and hopeful to launch new programs soon such as Stress Busters, Barre and Pilates.
- Fall Challenge The "Eat Well Be Well" challenge which had over 300 participants will conclude on Monday.
- Mini Grants The new year mini grants were awarded to 11 units. Michele is hopeful to get back on track with onsite programs.
- Wellness Credits BCBS has awarded the Wellness Initiative with \$30,000 points for credits to be used this fiscal year. These point credits are used to pay for online webinars, onsite health fairs, virtual cooking/fitness classes, and gift cards/incentives.
- Learn to Live Trends are showing employers have become increasingly focused on and dedicated to supporting mental health and well-being in the workplace. Thru BCBS and our Wellness program, we are promoting the use of the Learn to Live program. Units can direct members to www.learntolive.com or Michele for more information.

For more information on any wellness programs contact Michele Komosa via email at michelek@hcgit.org.

CVS IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE/CARD INCENTIVE

CVS Implementation Update

Joe explained we received a fair amount of member phone calls in the first couple months since we changed to CVS Caremark although they have mostly settled down now. Most calls were



from members that didn't read their mailing regarding the change, threw away their ID cards, or forgot about the new year's RX deductible resetting. Joe reported we are still meeting with CVS Caremark every two weeks and our direct contact there has been very helpful in resolving any items that have come up.

Card Incentive

Joe stated the Covid Vaccination gift card incentive was well received with 45 units participating and a little over 1,400 gift cards distributed.

FY21 AUDIT

Joe explained the auditors were in the office in August to work on our FY21 audit. They still need to gather information from the retirement office, so we don't expect the audit report to be finalized until January at the earliest. Joe stated he and Russ met with the lead auditor to discuss last year's comment regarding our GL accounting processes. We expect this comment to come up again this year, but they discussed that we could utilize the Quickbooks program a little more to satisfy the auditor's comment.

NEW UNIT MORATORIUM

Joe stated there were 3 towns from Worcester County that recently requested more information on joining the Trust. At the last Executive Committee, they discussed allowing any more units to join the Trust or not. Although the Trust is well reserved at this time, it was discussed that we're in this position due to the current units within the Trust who helped build us up this way and because of Covid. Joe explained as we are starting to see an increase in claims post-Covid shutdown, the EC decided it would be best to put on a moratorium for 18 months and reevaluate then.

MEDEX 2022 RATE

Joe reported we reduced our Medex rate last year by 3% due to Covid. Although we are seeing claims begin to increase again, Joe stated the Executive Committee has recommended keeping the rate flat at \$327.00 for 2022. Joe stated the Trust will do our annual mailing to all current Medex subscribers notifying them of the new rates and PDP formulary changes. It's the unit's responsibility to send open enrollment notifications to all those eligible for Medex that are not currently enrolled.

On a motion by Michael Sullivan, seconded by Deborah Kuhn, it was voted to accept the EC recommendation of a zero increase to the Medex 2022 premium rate, keeping it at \$327.00 monthly. This was followed by a roll call vote with all in favor.

Cindy explained any member changing from the HMO/PPO plans to Medex will receive new ID numbers and new ID cards from CVS Caremark. Although CVS Caremark is the pharmacy benefit manager for both the HMO/PPO and Blue Medicare RX PDP plans, they are operationally two completely different plans. Joe explained the HMO/PPO plan is set and controlled by the Trust, the Blue Medicare RX PDP plan is set and controlled by the government. When member's change plans, they must start over with new ID cards, new ID numbers and reregister online under their new CVS Caremark plan.



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

Joe stated 7 of the 9 current Executive Committee members were up for reelection; Donna Foglio and Michael Sullivan have stepped down due to retiring. Joe took a moment to thank Donna (who had already retired) and Mike (who was in attendance for his last meeting) for their contribution to the Trust and participation serving on the Executive Committee. Joe then explained Emily Russo of Easthampton and Donna Whiteley of South Hadley had already expressed their interest in running for the vacant EC positions and were preplaced on the ballot. Joe opened the floor for any additional EC nominations; there were none.

On a motion by Michael Sullivan seconded by Stephanie Douglass, it was voted to accept the slate of candidates as presented on the ballot for the election of the Executive Committee. This was followed by a roll call vote with all in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Russ Kaubris requested to adjourn the meeting at 10:42 a.m. by unanimous consent, all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted, Cynthia Smith

Meeting Schedule

Executive Committee – November XX, 2021, 9:00 a.m., via ZOOM (TBD)

Executive Committee – December 15, 2021, 9:00 a.m., via ZOOM

Executive Committee – January 19, 2022, 9:00 a.m., via ZOOM

Insurance Advisory Committee – January 26, 2021, 10:00 a.m., via ZOOM



FISCAL YEAR 2020 OPERATING EXPENSES (July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022)

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5420	COMPUTER SUPPLIES	200.00	1,000.00	1.000.00						
5850	DESK TOP PCs	2,000.00								
2300	MISC PROF & TECH SERV.**	18,000.00	26,400.00	40.000.00	13.246.38	1 954 00	1 992 00	00 833 2		6
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INCOME AND EXPENSE REPORT

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Adjustments						20.7	\$6,000,00	\$0,040,726.73	\$6,787,848.80	\$5,652,647.45	\$5,459,337.70	\$5,612,597.52
Total Starting Balance	\$7,601,697.58	\$7,998,592.77	\$7,848,722.05	\$8,881,138.52	\$9.544.027.66	\$8 061 442 35	\$6.050.751.15	\$ 840 706 70	00 070 000	1		
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Total Premium Collected	6,118,089.28	5,574,501.37	6,775,290.10	6,394,541.30	4,247,507.54	3,722,871,17	9.130.818.03	5 414 125 09	5 284 023 37	8 202 4E6 7E	700 700	
Interest Income (MMDT)	755.92	721.96	881.98	799.90	786.35	888.54	786 38	787 96	633 30	0,293,130.73	0,701,904.63	5,996,393.80
Other Income or Adjustments									60.00	302.44	611.54	560.95
BCBS SR Premium Collected												
TOTAL MONTHLY INCOME	6,118,845.20	5,575,223.33	6,776,172.08	6,395,341.20	4,248,293.89	3.723.759.71	9 131 604 41	5 414 913 05	6 784 656 76	0000		
MONTHLY EXPENSES								0.00	0,.000,+02,0	0,283,718.18	6,762,516.17	5,996,954.75
BCBS Admin Cost (estimate)												
Claim Deposit	5,072,300.00	5,072,300.00	5,072,300.00	5,072,300.00	5.072,300,00	5.072.300.00	4 956 200 00	4 503 600 00	4 F02 600 00	00000		
Reinsurance (Ind.&Agg.)	176,512.83	174,988.57	174,768.43	175 487 65	175 369 13	175 540 80		20.000,000,1	00.000,000,'t	4,303,600.00	4,503,600.00	4,503,600.00
BCBS Settlement						60.010		374,928.01	186,090.46	186,802.41	188,059.38	179,040.56
Recon adjust w/Finance								973,019.80				
BCBS Sr Premium Paid												
COCO OF LEGISLES												
Other Exp. & Claim Settlement	434,667.92	444,149.55	445,894.85	445,796.20	450,205.12	448,178.59	1,209,926.18	1,583,479.35	1,675,540.76	1.758.191.95	1 876 716 43	486 702 17
Total Plan Expenses	5,683,480.75	5,691,438.12	5,692,963.28	5,693,583.85	5,697,874.25	5,696,019.48	6,166,126.18	7,435,027.16	6.365.231.22	6 448 594 36	6 568 375 81	5 160 242 72
Total Unit Operating Expenses	38,469.26	33,655.93	50,792.33	38,868.21	33,004.95	38,431.43	175,502.65	32.763.82	54.626.89	38 434 58	40 880 F4	22 560 22
TOTAL MONTHLY EXPENSES	5,721,950.01	5,725,094.05	5,743,755.61	5,732,452.06	5,730,879.20	5,734,450.91	6.341.628.83	7 467 790 98	6 419 858 11	6 487 028 04	e e00 256 25	33,360.22
TOTAL NET MONTHLY INCOME	396,895.19	(149,870.72)	1,032,416.47	662,889.14	(1,482,585.31)	(2.010.691.20)	2 789 975 58	(2 052 877 93)	(1 135 301 35)	7,107,020,34	0,002,800,0	5,202,902.95
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Cash Balance	7,998,592.77	7,848,722.05	8,881,138.52	9,544,027.66	8.061,442,35	6 050 751 15	8 840 726 73	6 787 848 90	0000			
Adjustments							0.031,010,0	0,707,040.00	3,032,047.43	5,459,337.70	5,612,597.52	6,406,649.32
ENDING MONTHLY BALANCE	7,998,592.77	7,848,722.05	8,881,138.52	9,544,027.66	8,061,442.35	6,050,751.15	8,840,726.73	6,787,848.80	5,652,647.45	5,459,337.70	5,612,597.52	6.406.649.32
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Fund And Investment Information

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Investments							000,	4,44,00	4,444,601.96	4,444,801.96	4,444,801.96	4,444,801.96
CD's	16,112,274.63	16,119,782.14	16,127,175.59	16,135,893.81	16.140.745.56	16 144 337 77	16 148 472 87	16 152 222 17	70 700 100			
Deposit						-	10.2 14.04	10,132,233.17	10,130,403.73	16,160,349.01	16,164,163.87	16,168,374.52
Interest	7,507.51	7,393.45	8,718.22	4.851.75	3 592 21	4 135 10	00 097 6	7 0 0 0				
Balance	16,119,782,14	16 127 175 59	16 135 803 81		40 444 001 11	D	3,760.30	4,170.56	3,945.28	3,814.86	4,210.65	4,119.89
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Portfolio Value	12 640 686 70	12 574 505 75										
Deposit	0.000,010,000	12,011,090.13	12,097,043.09	12,998,070.21	13,257,346.89	13,424,652.88	13,544,628.36	13,713,195.68	13,890,705.56	13,435,973.48	13,840,257.68	13,700,043.20
Interest	(69,090,95)	125 447 34	304 027 13	250 270 000								
Market Change			71.120,100	203,270.00	88.005,701	119,975.48	168,567.32	177,509.88	(454,732.08)	404,284.20	(140,214.48)	414,060.89
Total	12,571,595.75	12,697,043.09	12,998,070.21	13,257,346.89	13,424,652.88	13.544.628.36	13 713 195 68	13 800 705 56	40 405 070 40	0.00		
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Accounts Receivable	1,440,624.63	1,756,404.70	892,190.30	396,702.88	2,054,479.57	4,191,649.72	878.593.30	1 287 994 05	1 909 528 02	4 560 004 70	00000	
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Total With Accounts Receivable	42,709,972.86	43,007,886.87	43,484,846.26	43,915,691.87	44,260,945.17	44,509,727.11	44,158,137.61	42,696,462.25	41,731,171.79	41,597,620.92	40.808.476.79	41 947 363 98
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Hampshire County Group Insurance Trust IY-2019-2020 Plan Count

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Hampshire County Group Insurance Trust Claim Payments

	CLAIMS		Al	MOUNT PAID		VARIANCE	CUM	ULATIVE VAR.
2019 - Jan	\$ 4,743,800.39		\$	5,000,000.00	Α	\$ (256,199.61)	\$	(506,682.20)
February	\$ 4,992,711.55	Α	\$	5,000,000.00	Α	\$ (7,288.45)	\$	(513,970.65)
March	\$ 6,002,513.39	Α	\$	5,000,000.00	Α	\$ 1,002,513.39	\$	488,542.74
April	\$ 4,691,042.28	Α	\$	5,000,000.00	Α	\$ (308,957.72)	\$	179,585.02
May	\$ 5,951,683.60	Α	\$	5,000,000.00	Α	\$ 951,683.60	\$	1,131,268.62
June	\$ 5,242,909.22	Α	\$	5,000,000.00	Α	\$ 242,909.22	\$	1,374,177.84
July	\$ 3,462,952.74	Α	\$	5,000,000.00	Α	\$ (1,537,047.26)	\$	(162,869.42)
August	\$ 5,939,797.85	Α	\$	5,000,000.00	Α	\$ 939,797.85	\$	776,928.43
September	\$ 5,166,325.71	Α	\$	5,000,000.00	Α	\$ 166,325.71	\$	943,254.14
October	\$ 4,136,764.22	Α	\$	5,000,000.00	Α	\$ (863,235.78)	\$	80,018.36
November	\$ 5,655,235.07	Α	\$	5,000,000.00	Α	\$ 655,235.07	\$	735,253.43
December	\$ 5,125,066.32	Α	\$	5,000,000.00	Α	\$ 125,066.32	\$	860,319.75
2020-Jan	\$ 4,478,889.48	Α	\$	5,072,300.00	Α	\$ (593,410.52)	\$	266,909.23
February	\$ 5,222,819.59	Α	\$	5,072,300.00	Α	\$ 150,519.59	\$	417,428.82
March	\$ 5,353,177.63	Α	\$	5,072,300.00	Α	\$ 280,877.63	\$	698,306.45
April	\$ 3,329,731.92	Α	\$	5,072,300.00	Α	\$ (1,742,568.08)	\$	(1,044,261.63)
May	\$ 4,511,071.96	Α	\$	5,072,300.00	Α	\$ (561,228.04)	\$	(1,605,489.67)
June	\$ 4,464,097.48	Α	\$	5,072,300.00	Α	\$ (608,202.52)	\$	(2,213,692.19)
July	\$ 7,826,890.70	Α	\$	5,072,300.00	Α	\$ 2,754,590.70	\$	540,898.51
August	\$ 4,823,789.64	Α	\$	5,072,300.00	Α	\$ (248,510.36)	\$	292,388.15
September	\$ 4,771,553.13	Α	\$	5,072,300.00	Α	\$ (300,746.87)	\$	(8,358.72)
October	\$ 5,348,857.12	Α	\$	5,072,300.00	Α	\$ 276,557.12	\$	268,198.40
November	\$ 4,979,230.59	Α	\$	5,072,300.00	Α	\$ (93,069.41)	\$	175,128.99
December	\$ 4,604,432.34	Α	\$	5,072,300.00	Α	\$ (467,867.66)	\$	(292,738.67)
Jan-21	\$ 5,094,645.16	Α	\$	5,072,300.00	Α	\$ 22,345.16	\$	(270,393.51)
February	\$ 4,866,097.70	Α	\$	5,072,300.00	Α	\$ (206,202.30)	\$	(476,595.81)
March	\$ 5,055,328.42	Α	\$	5,072,300.00	Α	\$ (16,971.58)	\$	(493,567.39)
April	\$ 6,209,756.93	Α	\$	5,072,300.00	Α	\$ 1,137,456.93	\$	643,889.54
May	\$ 5,272,497.71	Α	\$	5,072,300.00	Α	\$ 200,197.71	\$	844,087.25
June	\$ 5,201,232.55		\$	5,072,300.00		\$ 128,932.55	\$	973,019.80
July	\$ 4,233,942.93		\$	4,956,200.00		\$ (722,257.07)	\$	250,762.73
August	\$ 4,199,688.21		\$	4,503,600.00		\$ (303,911.79)	\$	(53,149.06)
September	\$ 4,013,790.09		\$	4,503,600.00		\$ (489,809.91)	\$	(542,958.97)
October	\$ 4,857,186.73		\$	4,503,600.00		\$ 353,586.73	\$	(189,372.24)
November	\$ 4,665,928.58		\$	4,503,600.00		\$ 162,328.58	\$	(27,043.66)
December	\$ 5,328,234.25		\$	4,503,600.00		\$ 824,634.25	\$	797,590.59

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E = Estimate based on some actual information

A = Actual Info.

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Hampshire County Group Insurance Trust

Statement Of Net Assets				UNAUDITED		UNAUDITED
Assets Current	∢	Audited As of 6/30/2020		As of 6/30/21		As of 12/31/21
Cash and short term investments Investments Member accounts receivable Pre Paid Expense/Due From CVS (Q2 Rebates)		9,042,576 23,991,528 3,671,425 2,213,692		10,624,976 29,693,101 4,191,650	. ∿	10,975,857 30,286,599 684,909 1,224,000
Total Assets	↔	38,919,221	↔	44,509,727	↔	43,171,365
Liabilities Current Medicare Part D Premium Payable ACA Transitional Reinsurance or PCORI Payable Claims Settlement Payable/Receivable Member Deposits Accrued claims payable (IBNR)***		4,444,802		29,688 973,020 4,444,802 4,750,000		797591 4,444,802 4,900,000
Total Current Liabilities	\$	8,596,478	❖	10,197,510	❖	10,142,393
Noncurrent Liabilities						
Accrued Compensated absences*** Net OPED Obligation *** Net Pension Liability***		48,492 278,190 730,013		48,492 278,190 730,013		48,492 285,000 730,013
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	↔	1,056,695	❖	1,056,695	↔	1,063,505
Total Liabilities	\$	9,653,173	÷	11,254,205	\$	11,205,898
Net Assets						
Unrestricted	₩	29,266,048	⋄	33,255,522	❖	31,965,467
Total Net Assets	↔	29,266,048	₩.	33,255,522	₩	31,965,467



Gain/Loss	259,167.42	(64,215.86)		(2,267,762.60)	(1,721,057.09)
Est. (Q4) CVS Rebate	293,786.61	293,786.61		930,342.80	930,342.80
Actual (Q3) CVS Rebate	293,786.61	293,786.61		930,342.80	930,342.80
Operating Loss	(328,405.80)	(651,789.08)		(4,128,448.20)	(3,581,742.69)
Odd	2021 YTD (12 months)	2022 Ins YTD (6 months)	НМО	2021 YTD (12 months)	2022 Ins YTD (6 months)

Reserve Target	11	18.900.000.00
Current Reserve	11	31,965,467.00
Over Reserved	11	13,065,467.00

VOTE

The Executive Committee recommends to the Insurance Advisory Committee that the Trust:

Renew the Life and ADD coverage with Boston Mutual for an additional two (2) years with no change to rate/premium.

VOTE

The Executive Committee recommends to the Insurance Advisory Committee that the Trust:

Maintain the current FY22 Active (HMO/PPO) Health Insurance rates for FY23. No rate change.



Contact Information

Social Security Office: Phone: 1-800-772-1213 TTY: 1-800-325-0778

Blue Cross Blue Shield of

Massachusetts:

Phone: **1-800-678-2265** TTY: **1-800-552-1254** www.bluecrossma.com/medicare

Dear

Our records indicate that you are approaching your 65th birthday. Most people aged 65 and older are eligible for Original Medicare (health insurance provided by the federal government). This chart outlines the steps you should take 2-3 months before your 65th birthday to plan for your healthcare coverage.

Who	What to Do	Why
Everyone turning 65	Call Social Security	To determine if you are eligible for Medicare

Working after 65	Once you've decided to continue working after age	To understand your coverage	Your Options May Include:		
	65, contact your HR/benefits coordinator	options	1. Stay on employer plan		
			2. Buy individual plan. Call Blue Cross.		
Retiring after 65	Once you've decided to retire after age 65, contact your HR/benefits coordinator	your employer	Yes. Enroll in employer plan.		
	TIN belieffis coordinator	offers a retiree health plan	No. Buy individual plan. Call Blue Cross.		

Thanks for giving us the opportunity to discuss your choices. You are a valued member, and we hope you will continue your coverage with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts. We look forward to serving you in the future.

Sincerely,

Larry Croes
Vice President

Commercial Markets



TRACKING REPORT

MONTH ENDING 10/31/2021

RETIRED EMPLOYEE ATTAINING THE AGE OF 65

PLEASE SEND APPROPRIATE CHANGE REQUESTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL CINDY SMITH AT 413-584-1300, EXT 145.

NAME:

JOHN DOE

BIRTH DATE:

01/26/1957

STATUS:

RETIRED EMPLOYEE

ID#:

987654321

PLAN:

NETWORK BLUE/INDIVIDUAL

GROUP #:

004001939

JOHN DOE WILL REACH AGE 65 ON JANUARY 26, 2022.

IF HE IS ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICARE BENEFITS, HE SHOULD ENROLL IN MEDICARE PARTS A AND B EFFECTIVE FOR **JANUARY 1, 2022**, <u>AND</u> A SUPPLEMENTAL COVERAGE SUCH AS MEDEX. THIS OFFICE WILL NEED A COPY OF HIS MEDICARE CARD, A BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD ENROLLMENT/CHANGE FORM, AND THE BLUE MEDICARE RX PDP ENROLLMENT FORM NO LATER THAN **DECEMBER 27, 2021** FOR PROCESSING.

<u>IF HE IS **NOT** ELIGIBLE</u> FOR MEDICARE BENEFITS, THIS OFFICE WILL NEED A COPY OF THE LETTER FROM THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION STATING INELIGIBLITY FOR BENEFITS. UPON RECEIPT, THE CURRENT HEALTH COVERAGE WOULD REMAIN THE SAME.

SHOULD YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL ME. THANK YOU.

Part I

ADMINISTRATION OF THE GOVERNMENT

Title IV

CIVIL SERVICE, RETIREMENTS AND PENSIONS

Chapter 32B

CONTRIBUTORY GROUP GENERAL OR BLANKET

INSURANCE FOR PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF COUNTIES, CITIES, TOWNS AND DISTRICTS, AND THEIR DEPENDENTS

Section 18A

TRANSFER OF RETIREE, SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT TO

MEDICARE HEALTH PLAN

Section 18A. (a) A retiree, spouse or dependent insured or eligible to be insured under this chapter, if enrolled in Medicare Part A at no cost to the retiree, spouse or dependent or eligible for coverage under Medicare Part A at no cost to the retiree, spouse or dependent, shall be required to transfer to a Medicare health plan offered by the governmental unit under section 11C or section 16, if the benefits under the plan and Medicare Part A and Part B together shall be of comparable actuarial value to those under the retiree's existing coverage, but a retiree or spouse who has a dependent who is not enrolled or eligible to be enrolled in Medicare Part A at no cost shall not be required to transfer to a Medicare health plan if a transfer requires the retiree or spouse to continue the existing family coverage for the dependent in a plan other than a Medicare health plan offered by the governmental unit.



- (b) Each retiree shall provide the governmental unit, in such form as the governmental unit shall prescribe, such information as is necessary to transfer to a Medicare health plan. If a retiree does not submit the information required, the retiree shall no longer be eligible for the retiree's existing health coverage. The governmental unit may, from time to time, request from a retiree, a retiree's spouse or a retiree's dependent, proof certified by the federal government, of eligibility or ineligibility for Medicare Part A and Part B coverage.
- (c) The governmental unit shall pay any Medicare Part B premium penalty assessed by the federal government on the retiree, spouse or dependent as a result of enrollment in Medicare Part B at the time of transfer.

ACTIVE EMPLOYEE – AGE 65

1. What do I need to do when I turn 65?

TEFRA is Federal legislation (Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 revised 1986) that considers active insurance coverage primary over Medicare. The act made employers of 20 or more full or part-time employees responsible for providing the same coverage to working employees age 65 or older and their non-working spouses age 65 or older (DEFRA) as they provide for employees under the age of 65. When an active employee is age 65 and eligible for Medicare but still working and eligible for group coverage through their employer, the group health coverage becomes primary. The employee should notify the Social Security Administration that they have group coverage and want to defer Medicare Part B coverage until retirement. A copy of the Medicare Card showing Part A should be sent to the Trust.

The TEFRA concept called DEFRA (Deficit Reduction Act of 1984), when referring to dependents, also applies to non-working spouses of active employees who are 65, eligible for Medicare and covered under the health coverage of an active employee spouse who may or may be age 65. The spouse should notify Social Security of the group coverage through their working spouse and defer Medicate Part B.

It is no longer required that subscribers who meet the TEFRA qualifications who are enrolled in a PPO be placed in a separate group. Subscribers providing proof of Medicare eligibility will remain in their current plan and group number.

RETIRED EMPLOYEES & SPOUSES

- 1. When is enrollment in the Medex supplemental coverage required? Enrollment in Medex is mandatory for retirees and/or spouses of retirees who become eligible for Medicare Parts A & B. The subscriber must enroll in Medicare Parts A & B, present a copy of their Medicare identification card indicating the date each part became effective and complete an Enrollment/Change form. Generally this occurs at age 65, but if eligibility for Medicare A & B occurs at an earlier age the same rule applies.
- 2. What happens to a retiree's spouse under the age of 65 when the retiree transfers to Medex?

When a retiree or a retiree's spouse reaches age 65 before the other, the remaining spouse will be enrolled in an individual HMO or PPO plan until he/she attains the age of 65 or becomes eligible for Medicare. This change can be done on one form, signed by the retiree, indicating the status for each member – I.E., retiree to Medex, spouse to individual HMO or PPO. It is important that ALL boxes under the Subscriber and Spouse sections are completed, especially the Actively Working and Date of Retirement questions.

3. What if a retiree has a spouse and one or more minor dependents at the time of Medicare eligibility?

Under s. 18A, a retiree with a spouse and minor dependents on his coverage may choose to stay on the current family plan until the last minor dependent ages out or is voluntarily dropped from coverage. However, the retiree must still enroll in Medicare parts A & B which will then become primary coverage for the retiree only.

4. Should a retiree enroll in a Medicare D Plan if they are enrolled in coverage with the Trust?

No. Medicare D plans are for prescription coverage. The plan offered by the Trust includes prescription coverage.

5. What date should I use when a retiree/spouse is cancelled from Medex coverage?

All Medex cancellations have to be dated for the first of the next full month. The date of death needs to be in the remarks section of the cancellation form.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ACTIVE AND RETIRING EMPLOYEES

EMPLOYEES/RETIREES AGE 65 -

- In all cases, members should contact Social Security 3 months prior to turning age 65 to apply for Medicare.
- If unsure which of the below actions should be taken, please contact this office as soon as possible.
- Medicare is always effective on the 1st of the birth month. Exception: when the birthday is on the 1st of the month, then Medicare is effective on the 1st of the previous month.
- If eligible, members must provide a copy of their Medicare card showing the effective date of eligibility or a copy of a letter of eligibility, which includes their claim number and effective date of coverage. A copy of the card must be submitted when available.
- When an Active employee retires, be sure to verify ages and Medicare eligibility of employee AND spouse to see if any action is needed regardless of age.
- If ineligible for Medicare benefits, members must provide a copy of a letter of ineligibility.

As voted at the October 11, 2017 Insurance Advisory Committee meeting, effective January 1, 2018, if all Medicare information and forms are not received prior to the eligibility effective date, Network Blue or Blue Care Elect will be cancelled and the retiree will lose their insurance benefit until the next open enrollment.

LETTERS/TRACKING REPORTS/EMAILS -

All subscribers nearing the age of 65 receive a letter from BCBS and a notice from SSA three months prior to attaining age 65.

The HCGIT sends out individual "tracking" reports to each unit when notified by BCBS that their letters have gone out. This is done as a courtesy so you in turn may contact the employee/retiree as well to be sure any required paperwork (i.e. Medicare card, BCBS Enrollment/Change form to transfer to Medex and a Blue Medicare RX Enrollment form if necessary) is completed without a loss of coverage.

If you wish to alter the tracking report or any emails sent from the Trust, feel free to do so, but only if you change the contact information to represent the sender and not the HCGIT.

AGE 65-ACTIVE EMPLOYEE/SPOUSE

Three months prior to turning 65:

- 1. Active employees are required to determine their eligibility for Medicare Part A.
- 2. Medicare Part B is deferred until the employee retires without penalty.
- 3. There is no cost to enroll in Part A.
- 4. There is no change in coverage.

The above applies to the employee's spouse as well, regardless of their work status. Any change in coverage is determined by the employee's status.

AGE 65 - RETIRED - MEDEX

RETIRED Employee (turning 65)

- 1. Retired Employee needs to obtain Medicare Parts A & B.
- 2. Retiree needs to change to Medex 2 with Blue Medicare RX (PDP).
- 3. Trust office needs a copy of the Medicare card, a completed BCBS Enrollment/Change form and a completed Blue Medicare RX (PDP) Enrollment form.

RETIRED Employee (turning 65) Spouse (not 65)

- 1. Retired Employee needs to obtain Medicare Parts A & B.
- 2. Retiree needs to change to Individual Medex 2 with Blue Medicare RX (PDP) coverage.
- 3. Spouse needs to change to Individual HMO/PPO coverage. *
 - Complete ONE BCBS Enrollment/Change form with ALL Subscriber (Member 1) and Spouse (Member 2) information.
 - Comments box should state "Subscriber to Medex, Spouse to HMO/PPO Individual".
 - Form should be signed by the Subscriber (Member 1).
- 4. Trust office needs a copy of the Medicare card, a completed BCBS Enrollment/Change form and a completed Blue Medicare RX (PDP) Enrollment form.

RETIRED Employee (not 65),

- Spouse (turning 65)
 - 1. Retiree needs to change to Individual HMO/PPO coverage.
 - 2. Spouse needs to obtain Medicare Parts A & B.
 - 3. Spouse needs to change to Individual Medex 2 with Blue Medicare RX (PDP) coverage. *
 - o Complete ONE BCBS Enrollment/Change form with ALL Subscriber (Member 1) and Spouse (Member 2) information.
 - o Comments box should state "Subscriber to HMO/PPO Individual, Spouse to Medex".
 - o Form should be signed by the Subscriber (Member 1).
 - 4. Trust office needs a copy of the Medicare card, a completed BCBS Enrollment/Change form and a completed Blue Medicare RX (PDP) Enrollment form.

RETIRED Employee (over 65 – should already be on Individual Medex coverage), Spouse (turning 65 – is currently on an Individual HMO/PPO plan)

- 1. Spouse needs to obtain Medicare Parts A & B.
- 2. Spouse needs to change to Medex 2 with Blue Medicare RX (PDP) coverage.
 - Complete BCBS Enrollment/Change form with all the Spouse's information in Member 1 section.
 - Comments box should state "Change to Medex".
 - Form should be signed by the Spouse (Member 1).
- 3. Trust office needs a copy of the Medicare card, a completed BCBS Enrollment/Change form and a completed Blue Medicare RX (PDP) Enrollment form.

Surviving Spouse (turning 65 – is currently on an Individual HMO/PPO plan)

- 1. Spouse needs to obtain Medicare Parts A & B.
- 2. Spouse needs to change to Medex 2 with Blue Medicare RX (PDP) coverage.
 - Complete BCBS Enrollment/Change form with ALL the Spouse's information in Member 1 section.
 - Comments box should state "Change to Medex".
 - Form should be signed by the Spouse (Member 1).
- 3. Trust office needs a copy of the Medicare card, a completed BCBS Enrollment/Change form and a completed Blue Medicare RX (PDP) Enrollment form.
- * Exception: If there is more than one dependent on the current coverage, all can remain on the current plan, but any party eligible for Medicare must take it. Medicare will then become primary coverage for the eligible party.

Employees Retiring at end of school year:

Even though an employee's last day of work may be in June, the actual date of retirement for insurance purposes is the last day they are making contributions at the active employee rate. Some examples are:

- 1) If paid thru Summer DOR 9/1, or
- 2) If August deduction is for September and taken at active rate DOR 10/1 or
- 3) According to contract

Be sure to check the age of anyone retiring to determine if they are over 65 and will need to obtain Medicare Parts A and B at least three months before the date of retirement when at all possible.

Age 65 or Planning to Retire?

MEDICARE

- Contact Social Security Administration THREE (3) months PRIOR to:
 1) reaching age 65
 2) choosing to retire if you are over age 65
- The quickest way to apply and get fastest results is via online at www.ssa.gov.
- Medicare will be effective on the 1st of your birth month. If your birthday is on the 1st of the month, Medicare will be effective the 1st of the **previous** month.
- A copy of your Medicare card (and any additional required information) must be received by your employer and the Trust office BEFORE the effective date for processing or coverage will be cancelled.

WHAT DO I NEED TO DO??

ACTIVE EMPLOYEE:

- 1. Contact Social Security
 Administration THREE (3) months
 PRIOR to reaching age 65.
- 2. Apply for Medicare Part A only (deferring Part B at this time as employee is still actively working).
- 3. Provide a copy of Medicare card to employer.

RETIRED EMPLOYEE:

- 1. Contact Social Security
 Administration THREE (3) months
 PRIOR to reaching age 65.
- 2. Apply for Medicare Parts A & B (as employee is retired)
- 3. Provide a copy of Medicare card to employer along with appropriate forms to change to Medex w/ PDP coverage.

NOTE: A spouse's work status does not matter as they are covered under the employee's group health insurance plan.

The spouse should follow the above according to the employee's work status.



Contact your Employer or the Trust office well in advance to discuss and learn more about you and/or your spouse's eligibility and requirements for continuing your health insurance coverage before it is too late.

**Note all forms and required documents must be submitted to the Trust BEFORE the effective date for processing or the request will be denied.