



East End Health Plan

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Dear Medicare Primary Retiree:

On October 19, 2012, Dr. Greg Frost, Chairperson, wrote to let you know that as of January 1, 2013 prescription drug benefits for **Medicare primary members**, including disabled dependents that may be under the age of 65, will be provided through UnitedHealthcare Medicare RX for Groups. **This Plan only applies to Medicare Primary members.** It is not available to active members or retirees under the age of 65.

The program is considered an Enhanced Medicare Part D Program which provides essentially the same prescription drug program that you, as a Medicare Primary member, currently enjoy. In some cases the program provides a better benefit at a lower out-of-pocket cost. While there may be slight differences in the coverage, the program will continue to provide quality prescription drug benefits for our Medicare primary members.

All Medicare Primary members will automatically be enrolled in the program. Starting on January 1, 2013, this plan will replace your current coverage. There is no enrollment process for you to follow. There are no forms to complete. There is nothing for you to do. However, you will be given the opportunity to opt out of the program by calling UnitedHealthcare *Medicare RX for Groups* Opt-Out Service Center (1-866-846-9961) to do so. We do not recommend that you opt out of the program. The prescription drug program that will be provided is far superior to any alternative plan that you may be offered.

The program is recognized by over 65,000 national, regional, and local pharmacies. For those members that are currently using mail order to obtain a long-term supply of their maintenance drugs, they can still obtain them through *Optum Rx Pharmacy*, the mail order center for UnitedHealthcare. If you will have refills on any prescription as of December 31, 2012, these will automatically be transferred over to *Medicare RX for Groups*.

As I indicated above, each individual Medicare primary member will be automatically enrolled. Therefore you will be assigned a unique identification number. This identification number will be different from your current medical and prescription drug identification number. Each individual Medicare primary member, on or about December 21, 2012, will be receiving two *UnitedHealthcare Medicare RX for Groups* identification cards. One should be kept with you at all times and the other is to be kept in a safe place in case your card is lost, or to be used by someone who will be picking up your prescriptions at the Pharmacy. **DO NOT USE THIS CARD UNTIL JANUARY 1, 2013.** Continue to use your current ProAct/East End Health Plan Prescription Drug card through December 31, 2012.

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In the next week or so you will be receiving a direct mailing from UnitedHealthcare which will include a Welcome Kit with more information regarding the program. It may look like an advertisement or a generic solicitation from UnitedHealthcare; it is not. It has important information you need to be aware of, as required by *Centers for Medicare Services*, and will provide answers to the more commonly asked questions. Each individual that is currently a Medicare Primary member, including disabled dependents that may be under the age of 65, will be receiving this packet. Please watch for this mailing. Do not discard it. It will read as if it were promotional material from UnitedHealthcare, but the information and format is required by the *Centers for Medicare Services* even though it may not apply to our Plan.

If you received this letter via a Post Office box number without a permanent physical address, I would ask that you e-mail me (fperry@eehp.org) your permanent physical address of your residence. The *Center for Medicare Services* requires that we enroll members using their permanent address, no PO Boxes. Otherwise it may delay your enrollment and result in a break in coverage. If you do not have access to e-mail, please fax the information to 631-472-3969.

In addition to the mailing we will be holding regional information meetings to present the program and answer any questions our members may have. You can attend anyone of the meetings. There is no need to pre-register for any of these meetings. The meeting schedule is as follows:

November 27, 2012

10:00 AM - Eastern Suffolk BOCES Harry B. Ward Technical and Academic Career Center, Culinary Arts Building, 970 North Griffing Avenue Riverhead, New York

3:00 PM - Southold Junior-Senior High School Auditorium, 420 Oaklawn Avenue, Southold, New York

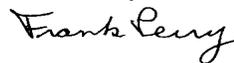
November 28, 2012

9:00 AM - Southampton Intermediate School Cafeteria, 70 Leland Lane, Southampton, New York

3:00 PM - Eastern Suffolk BOCES Raymond A. DeFeo Administration Building, Everett L. King/Chester Morris Conference Room, 215 Old Riverhead Road Westhampton Beach, New York

As with all new programs, we anticipate that there will be “glitches” during the transition. We will make every effort to minimize any disruption or inconvenience to our members, but we ask for your patience and cooperation as we implement this program.

Sincerely,



Frank Perry
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