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TO: New York State Agency Health Benefits Administrators
             Participating Employer Health Benefits Administrators

FROM: Employee Benefits Division

SUBJECT: Updated NYS Vision Plan Booklets for Management/Confidential Employees and
             Employees of Participating Employers

DATE: February 2, 2009

Effective January 1, 2009, the purchase period under the Occupational Program was
extended to ninety (90) days from the date of the exam with a participating provider for
Management/Confidential (M/C) employees and employees of Participating Employers (PE),
who participate in the New York State Vision Plan. EyeMed Vision Care will be mailing each
enrollee an updated booklet that reflects this benefit change and benefit changes implemented on
July 1, 2008. The booklet has also been modified to more clearly communicate existing benefits.
Booklets will be mailed to enrollees at their home by February 5, 2009. Enrollees can also
download and print a copy of the benefit booklet at www.cs.state.ny.us, choose Benefit
Programs, choose NYSHIP Online and follow the links.

Attached is a copy of the letter that will be sent to enrollees with their new NYS Vision
Plan booklet that explains their benefit changes. In addition, EyeMed Vision Care will soon be
sending you a small supply of the updated NYS Vision Plan booklets for M/C and PE enrollees.
Enclosed with the booklets will be a cover letter and a NYS Vision Plan Publications Supply
Request Form with instructions for requesting additional booklets from EyeMed Vision Care.
The Supply Request Form can also be found on HBA Online at www.cs.state.ny.us:

- Choose Benefits Programs
- Choose HBA Online
- Enter your User ID and Password
- Choose Publications & Forms
- Choose New York State Vision Plan Benefit Booklet Order Form

If you have any questions, please contact your EBD Processor.

Attachment