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# MEMORANDUM

 TO: New York State Health Benefits Administrators; Participating Employer Health Benefits Administrators
FROM: Employee Benefits Division
SUBJECT: January 2010 HMO Reports and NYSHIP General Information Book Amendments
DATE: April 2, 2010

We will soon mail the January 2010 *HMO Reports and NYSHIP General Information Book Amendments* to the following groups: Council 82, CSEA, DC-37, MC, NYSCOPBA, PBA-S, PBA-T, PE, PEF, PIA, Retiree, UCS and UUP.

### The HMO Report includes:

NYSHIP Articles: Young Adult Option Coverage, New York State: Supplemental Continuation of Coverage, Important Information about the Pre-Tax Contribution Program (PTCP) For Enrollees with Domestic Partners (except PE and Retiree). Reminders: Dependent Verification, Medicare Part B Premium Reimbursement, Reimbursement of the Medicare Part B Income-Related Monthly Adjustment Amount (IRMAA) for Medicare-Primary Enrollees and Pre-Retirement Seminars (except PE and Retiree), The 2010 Census and Annual Notice of Mastectomy and Reconstructive Surgery Benefits.

### **NYSHIP General Information Book Changes**

Your Spouse, Domestic Partner, Leaving school before graduation (C-82 and NYSCOPBA-Represented), Medical leave for students age 19 or over, Disabled Dependents; Young Adult Option: Cost, Eligibility, Available Coverage, Enrollment Rules, Exception: CHIP and Medicaid, When your Family coverage begins (C-82 and NYSCOPBA-Represented), PTCP Changes (except PE and Retiree), Health Care Spending Account (C-82, NYSCOPBA, PBA-S, PBA-T and PIA), Money Saving Programs (CSEA, DC-37, M/C, PEF, UCS and UUP), Workers' Compensation (C-82 and NYSCOPBA-Represented), Retiree Eligibility, COBRA: Continuation of Coverage (PE only), New York State: Extended continuation of coverage and Medicare Reimbursement.

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