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MEMORANDUM

TO:	New York State Health Benefits Administrators;
	Participating Employer Health Benefits Administrators
FROM:	Employee Benefits Division
SUBJECT:	2010 Retiree Health Benefits Meetings
DATE:	July 15, 2010

We are pleased to inform you that the 2010 NYSHIP Retiree Health Benefits Meetings have been scheduled. Attached is the schedule for the year; it is also posted on our web site.

The schedule will not be mailed to enrollee homes or shipped to agencies. This is your *only* notice of the meetings. You may photocopy the schedule to post on your bulletin boards and put in new retiree packages. As shown to the right, current retirees will receive a <text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text>

postcard invitation approximately two to three weeks prior to the closest meeting in their area.

Since there is a delay in getting new retirees on the NYBEAS file, please be sure to include the schedule in their package since they will not receive a postcard. Please recycle any copies of the 2009 schedule you may have left.

Please note: These meetings are *not* for current employees. They should not be attending these meetings, since they have different questions and needs. The information at the retiree meetings is directed toward people who are no longer on the payroll.

To find the retiree meetings schedule and agenda of timely topics on HBA Online, click on Meetings & More. Then under Type of Event, scroll to Retiree Meeting. Retirees may also view this schedule on the Department of Civil Service web site at https://www.cs.state.ny.us by clicking on Retirees, then Health Benefits, and select the Calendar tab from the NYSHIP Online home page.

If you have any questions about these meetings, please call the Communications Unit at 518-457-7577.

Attachment



2010 NYSHIP Retiree Health Benefits Meetings

Note: This is the schedule for the entire year. You'll also find the schedule on the Department of Civil Service web site at https://www.cs.state.ny.us. Click on Retirees, then Health Benefits. To view the Calendar, select the Calendar tab from the NYSHIP Online home page. Then under Type of Event, scroll to Retiree Meetings.

NYSHIP Retiree Health Benefits Meetings are for New York State and Participating Employer retirees, vestees and dependent survivors enrolled in the New York State Health Insurance Program. These meetings are *not* for current employees. Each meeting will include general information about NYSHIP benefits and a discussion of Medicare. Meeting times will vary by location and an agenda of timely meeting topics will be available on our web site. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis and is not guaranteed. Sites are handicapped accessible and photo ID may be required. No advance reservation is required.

Albany - Monday, September 13

Albany Marriott 189 Wolf Road Albany, NY 12205 *Ballroom* 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Binghamton - Monday, September 20

Holiday Inn Arena 2-8 Hawley Street Binghamton, NY 13901 *Ballroom* 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Brooklyn - Thursday, November 18

Brooklyn College Student Center East 27th Street and Campus Road Brooklyn, NY 11210 *Jefferson-Williams Lounge* 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Buffalo – Monday, October 18

Buffalo Niagara Marriott 1340 Millersport Highway Amherst, NY 14221 *Ballroom* 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Latham – Thursday, November 4

Colonie Elks Lodge 11 Elks Lane Latham, NY 12110 *Ballroom* 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Manhattan – Friday, November 19

City University of New York Graduate Center 365 5th Avenue (at 34th Street) New York, NY 10016 *Auditorium* 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Plattsburgh – Thursday, October 7

Holiday Inn Plattsburgh 412 Route 3 Plattsburgh, NY 12901 *Ballroom* 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Poughkeepsie – Tuesday, September 21

Poughkeepsie Grand Hotel 40 Civic Center Plaza Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 *Ballroom* 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Rochester - Tuesday, October 19

Double Tree Hotel 1111 Jefferson Road Rochester, NY 14623 *Ballroom* 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Schenectady – Tuesday, September 7

Glen Sanders Mansion 1 Glen Avenue Scotia, NY 12302 *Ballroom* 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Smithtown – Friday, October 15

Sheraton Long Island 110 Vanderbilt Motor Parkway Smithtown, NY 11788 Suffolk and Smithtown Rooms 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Syracuse - Friday, October 29

Double Tree Hotel 6301 State Route 298 East Syracuse, NY 13057 *Ballroom* 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Utica – Thursday, September 16

Radisson Hotel Utica Centre 200 Genesee Street Utica, NY 13502 *Ballroom* 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.