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MEMORANDUM

TO: New York State Health Benefits Administrators
FROM: Employee Benefits Division
SUBJECT: August 2011 *Empire Plan Special Report for CSEA*
DATE: August 24, 2011

We will soon mail the August 2011 *Empire Plan Special Report for CSEA*, that describes changes affecting NYSHIP coverage effective October 1, 2011 as a result of the recently ratified contract between the State of New York and CSEA.

The *Empire Plan Special Report* includes:

Negotiated Changes Effective October 1, 2011; NYSHIP Changes; Federal Health Care Changes; October 1, 2011 Benefit Changes and the October 1, 2011 Empire Plan Copayments for CSEA

Distribution of Reports

The publication will be mailed to enrollee homes in August 2011. We will send you a separate supply of the Special Report and Preventive Care Coverage Chart equal to 1 percent of your affected enrollment. You may order additional copies of the 2011 Empire Plan Flexible Formulary drug list on HBA Online (see below).

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