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TO: Health Benefits Administrators of Participating Agencies with
The Empire Plan or The Excelsior Plan
FROM: Employee Benefits Division
SUBJECT: *Medicare & NYSHIP for PA Retirees*, August 2015
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A newly designed and revised *Medicare & NYSHIP for PA Retirees* booklet with DVD is at the printer and will soon be available.

This booklet provides important information about Medicare enrollment, Part B reimbursement, Medicare and NYSHIP claims coordination and Empire Plan Medicare Rx, a Medicare Part D prescription drug plan. We have added our companion 30-minute video to the booklet, which explains Medicare enrollment and NYSHIP rules. **Note:** The Excelsior Plan does not include a Medicare Part D prescription drug plan.

The August 2015 version replaces the January 2014 version. Please recycle any copies you may have of the old version and also of the videos, as there have been some slight revisions.

Distribution

This publication is mailed to retirees as part of our monthly 65th birthday mailing that reminds them to enroll in Medicare when they turn 65. It can be a part of your new retiree packages. If you place an order online for the New Retiree Quick Order package, the booklet with DVD is included and will be mailed to the enrollee's home.

We will send you a supply of five copies of this booklet with DVD to distribute to your enrollees.

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