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MEMORANDUM

TO: Health Benefits Administrators of Participating Agencies with the Excelsior Plan
FROM: Employee Benefits Division
SUBJECT: January 2019 *At A Glance*
DATE: November 29, 2018

We are pleased to announce the publication of the January 2019 *At A Glance*. The *At A Glance* is a summary guide to Empire Plan benefits. Encourage employees to use this guide together with their *Empire Plan Reports*.

The *2019 Excelsior Plan Drug List* is included with the *At A Glance* that will be mailed to enrollee homes. The *2019 Empire Plan Preventive Care Coverage Chart*, a summary of current federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) coverage requirements, is included. Inserts containing information on *Out-of-Network Reimbursement Disclosures* related to the Emergency Medical Services and Surprise Bills law and a required Nondiscrimination Notice are also enclosed in the version mailed to enrollees.

Distribution

We will mail the *At A Glance* to enrollee homes in early December. The file for this mailing was pulled from NYBEAS on November 20, 2018, so any enrollee not on NYBEAS as of this date should be provided with a copy. We will send a supply equal to one percent of your agency enrollment to you for new employees or retirees. See below for specific ordering information.

We will send a separate shipment of the *Preventive Care Coverage Chart*, *Out-of-Network Reimbursements Disclosures* and the *Excelsior Plan Drug List*. **Note:** The Nondiscrimination Notice will not be shipped to agencies, nor will it be available to order.

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Ordering Publications

You may order additional copies of the *At A Glance* and the other *At A Glance* inserts on HBA Online under Publications & Forms. This publication is included in the Quick Order packages, which are only available to order on HBA Online. (They can be mailed directly to the enrollee's home.) **Please wait until you receive your shipment of the new publications before you place an order.**

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