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MEMORANDUM

TO: Health Benefits Administrators of Participating Employers (PEs)
FROM: Employee Benefits Division
SUBJECT: October 2023 *Empire Plan Reports*
DATE: October 31, 2023

The October 2023 *Empire Plan Reports* for PE Active employees (PE0201) as well as a version for NY/PE Retirees (AL2016) are now available online and will soon be mailed to enrollee homes and agencies. The *Reports* explain changes to the Plan and have important reminders for enrollees, including information on assignment of benefits for non-participating Medical/Surgical providers, coverage for preventive vaccines and boosters, an expansion of the infusion therapy site of care program and the Empire BlueCross name change to Anthem Blue Cross.

Distribution

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