

HEALTH POLICY AND ANALYTICS Oregon Educators Benefit Board

Health Authority

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Dear [First Name]:

Congratulations! You may be eligible for health insurance through the Oregon Educators Benefit Board (OEBB), as provided for under House Bill 2557 (2009). Enrollment materials for the 2019-20 enrollment period are enclosed, including:

- 1. A summary of plan details comparing costs and coverage of the plans available to you;
- 2. An HB2557 Member Enrollment Form;
- 3. An ACH Debit Form to set up monthly auto-deduction payments from your bank account; and
- 4. A Q&A (question and answer) sheet.

To be eligible for OEBB health insurance coverage effective October 1, 2019, you must have been Oregon PERS-eligible for the 2018 calendar year and worked in a research or faculty position at one or more Oregon public institutions of higher education in the 2018 calendar year, but were not eligible to receive benefits through your employer.

For more information about HB2557, please visit the HB2557 page of the OEBB website:

www.oregon.gov/OHA/OEBB/Pages/HB2557.aspx

The enrollment period for OEBB benefit plans begins August 15 and runs through September 20, 2019, for HB2557 qualifying members. Benefits selected during this period will be effective October 1, 2019.

Health Savings Accounts (HSAs)

If you qualify for and wish to contribute to a health savings account (HSA) during the 2019-20 plan year, you must enroll in an HSA-compliant plan. To contribute to an HSA you must meet a number of criteria, including but not limited to enrollment in a high deductible health plan (HDHP) that is compliant with the federal regulations. Kaiser Permanente Medical Plan 3 and Moda Health Medical Plan 7 are the only HSA-compliant plans available to you through OEBB for the 2019-20 plan year. If you enroll in one of these plans, note that contributing to an HSA is optional, not required. For more information on these types of plans/accounts, watch our video "HSAs and HDHPs: Your Healthcare Nest Egg" on the OEBB website: www.oregon.gov/OHA/OEBB/pages/videos.aspx.

Enrolling Yourself and Eligible Dependents in Benefits

To enroll in one of the OEBB medical plans, complete the enclosed HB2557 Member Enrollment Form and return it to OEBB with a completed ACH Debit Form no later than September 20, 2019. OEBB's mailing address and fax number are on the forms. If you want to cover any eligible dependents, you must list each dependent (including your spouse or domestic partner, if applicable) and check the boxes indicating you want to cover them on your plan and confirming they meet the eligibility requirements for OEBB benefits.

Eligibility requirements for dependents can be found online at:

www.oregon.gov/OHA/OEBB/Pages/Eligibility.aspx

Contacting OEBB for Assistance

If you have any benefit-related questions, you can contact the OEBB Member Services team by calling 1-888-4My-OEBB (1-888-469-6322), or by sending an email to: oebb.benefits@state.or.us.

Sincerely,

Ali Hassoun Director, Oregon Educators Benefit Board