



**PEBB Updates**  
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### **Wellness Manager**

In January 2017, Governor Brown signed an Executive Order regarding employee wellness that required PEBB to hire a Wellness Manager. The Wellness Manager will work with agency safety and wellness committees to develop wellness plans and convene a statewide Coordinating Council to provide guidance to agencies, PEBB and the Governor's office on evidence-based worksite wellness.

An internal recruitment is underway. Eligible candidates will be interviewed by a panel that includes PEBB, Public Health and a member of the PEBB Member Advisory Committee.

### **Dependent Eligibility Review**

PEBB will begin a dependent eligibility review this fall. The review will require members to provide documentation showing their spouses, domestic partners and children are eligible for coverage under a PEBB plan. We will begin by targeting new dependents added during open enrollment, then branch out to include others. This will be an ongoing process.

All PEBB members will be notified of the review in an e-blast in early September, followed by a postcard mailed to the address we have on file. These communications will explain the review process and provide links to PEBB's eligibility rules. Members will have to opportunity to add or remove dependents during open enrollment. In November, all members who added a dependent during open enrollment will be asked to provide documentation showing the dependent is eligible.

PEBB will also notify all HR managers and payroll managers of the program timelines.

### **Senate Bill 1067**

The PEBB and OEPP Chairs and Vice Chairs met on August 1, 2017 to discuss how to name board members to the executive committee required by Senate Bill 1067. All four leadership members will be on the committee with each board adding one management and one labor representative. PEBB will add Bill Barr and Mark Perlman.

The committee will meet every other Tuesday through mid-December to outline the report that must be sent to the Ways and Means Committee by February 1, 2018. The report will include steps needed to combine the boards' duties and functions, the pluses and minuses of each step and the associated savings or costs. Staff have developed an initial work plan that will be updated as we move forward. The board will receive an update at each board meeting and will have the opportunity to see the report before it is sent to the legislature.

The committee will be meeting in open, streamed meetings. All meetings will be posted on the website and materials will be available. PEBB and OEBC will notify stakeholders of the website and how to become an interested party to ensure the process is open and transparent.

The current work plan is attached.

<b>Action</b>
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This is for board information only, no action is required.