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This letter is to introduce you or members of your household to upcoming changes in your Medical Assistance coverage brought on by the Commonwealth's new *Healthy Pennsylvania (Healthy PA)* initiative. This initiative will ensure that Pennsylvanians have increased access to quality affordable healthcare. As of January 1, 2015, coverage that you or members of your household are receiving may change.

Under *Healthy PA*, existing healthcare benefit packages will be simplified to three primary benefit packages for adults:

- Healthy
- Healthy Plus
- Healthy PA* Private Coverage Option (PCO)

Children less than 21 years of age will remain covered under their current benefit package. For any adult member(s) of your household not listed below, their benefit package(s) is not expected to change.

***Healthy PA* has no effect on other benefits your household may be receiving such as SNAP, LIHEAP or cash benefits.**

Starting January 1, 2015, based on the information we have in your record so far, you will receive ***Healthy PA PCO*** benefits. This benefit package offers minimum essential coverage as required under the Affordable Care Act. For a complete listing of the services covered in this benefit package, please refer to the enclosed *Healthy PA PCO* services insert. You will be automatically assigned to a *Healthy PA PCO* plan. If you would like to review the available *Healthy PA PCO* plans in your area and select a different plan prior to your transition, you may call Pennsylvania Enrollment Services at **1-844-465-8137**. If you think the *Healthy PA PCO* benefit package will not meet your medical needs, you may complete a health screening by **no later than November 26, 2014**. The health screening is a questionnaire designed to place you into the most suitable benefit package for your medical needs. You may complete the screening via My COMPASS Account on www.compass.state.pa.us or by calling the PA Consumer Service Center at 1-844-290-3448. If you do not have a My COMPASS Account, you may log on to www.compass.state.pa.us and follow the instructions to register an account. **The health screening is not available through the County Assistance Office or the Office of Income Maintenance Customer Service Center.**

If any changes have occurred since your most recent application or renewal, report them through your My COMPASS Account at www.compass.state.pa.us, or contact the Office of Income Maintenance Customer Service Center at 1-877-418-1187 or contact your local County Assistance Office as these changes may have an impact on the healthcare benefits you receive.

For more information on the *Healthy PA* initiative, please visit www.dpw.state.pa.us/healthypa/.





Your benefit package is called **Private Coverage Option** and allows you a choice of commercial insurance.

Welcome to *Healthy PA*

Here are some helpful tips on using *Healthy PA*:

Be sure to carry your PCO card with you at all times. When you go to get health care services, please show all of your insurance cards, including your PCO card.

If you need a new PCO card, please contact your PCO.

There is a limit to the number of visits and services you can get. Please talk with your PCO about these limits.

For more information about what is included in these services, call your PCO.

You may get these services:

- Behavioral health inpatient services
- Behavioral health outpatient services
- Chiropractic services
- Diagnostic x-rays
- Durable medical equipment
- Emergency ambulance
- Emergency room
- Family planning services
- Home health care
- Hospice care
- Imaging services
- Inpatient hospital (acute, rehabilitation)
- Inpatient substance abuse disorder services
- Laboratory tests
- Medical supplies
- Outpatient rehabilitation services
- Outpatient substance abuse disorder services
- Outpatient surgery
- Pre-natal maternity/delivery and post-partum
- Prescription drugs
- Preventive care/screening/immunizations
- Primary and specialty care
- Routine eye exam
- Skilled nursing facility

Please note that if your household income is above 100% of the Federal Poverty Limit, your Private Coverage Option provider may refuse service if you fail to pay any copayments, but only as long as refusing service due to failure to pay copayments is standard practice for that Private Coverage Option provider.

If you are subject to cost sharing, you can reduce your cost sharing, starting January 1, 2016, by completing Healthy Behaviors throughout calendar year 2015. Healthy Behaviors include the paying of cost sharing at the point of service (doctor office, hospital, etc.) and completing an annual wellness exam at your primary care physician before October 31, 2015. The Department of Public Welfare will automatically track completion of these Healthy Behaviors.



