



CHANGES FOR THE 2019 PLAN YEAR

Plans that will no longer be available in 2019

• **Blue Shield Access+ HMO**

- Blue Shield Access+ will exit 8 counties in the Bay Area. (Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Solano, Sonoma).
- Current members will have to elect a new plan choice for 2019.
- Current members **who do not elect a new health plan will automatically be enrolled in Health Net SmartCare** by CalPERS.

• **UnitedHealthCare HMO**

- Will exit from the Bay Area Region.
- Current members will have to elect a new plan choice for 2019.
- Will remain available to retirees as a Medicare supplement

Other Plan Changes – *Click on the plan to find an in-network provider*

- [Anthem HMO Select \(Basic\)](#) Premiums will decrease by 6%.

- [Anthem HMO Traditional](#) Premiums will increase by 22%.

- [Health Net SmartCare](#) Premiums will decrease by 7%.

• [PERSCare PPO](#)

- Premiums will increase by 19%.
- Co-payment for urgent care & specialist office visits will increase from \$20 to \$35.

• [PERS Choice](#)

- Premiums will increase by 5%.
- Co-payment for urgent care & specialist office visits will increase from \$20 to \$35.

• [PERS Select](#)

- Premiums will decrease by 25%.
- Doctor visit co-payment will decrease to \$10.
- Co-payment for urgent care & specialist office visits will increase from \$20 to \$35.
- A Primary Care Physician (PCP) will be assigned to you.
- Plan design change, please see [CalPERS website](#) for more information.

HELPFUL TIPS in choosing a Health Benefit Plan:

- Check with your providers to see which plans they accept or are “preferred providers”.
- Review [CalPERS 2019 Health Benefit Summary](#) to see a side by side comparison of the plans and coverage levels.

*All changes must be submitted no later than October 5th and are **EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019***