



Health and Benefits Department - Office of Talent
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Dear Chicago Public Schools Retiree,

Chicago Public Schools (CPS) will continue to offer retiree health insurance in 2018 for enrolled CPS annuitants who have a pension through the Municipal Employees' Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago (MEABF) or the Laborers' Annuity and Benefit Fund (LABF). This plan will continue to provide the same quality medical and prescription drug benefits that you are accustomed to. These benefits include a PPO medical plan that provides competitive inpatient and outpatient coverage as well as retail and mail-order prescription drug coverage. In the year ahead, there are no increases in co-pays, co-insurance, or deductibles.

There will be a change in your monthly premium. The chart below shows the decrease in your health premiums beginning January 1, 2018:

| Category | Monthly Premiums You Paid Beginning 1/1/2017 | Monthly Premiums You Will Pay Beginning 1/1/2018 |
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| Medicare Annuitant Only | \$632.43 | \$612.82 |
| Medicare Annuitant plus Family | \$1,264.83 | \$1,225.62 |
| Non-Medicare Annuitant Only | \$1,397.12 | \$1,353.81 |
| Non-Medicare Annuitant plus Family | \$2,794.89 | \$2,708.25 |
| Medicare Annuitant with Non- Medicare covered spouse or dependent | \$2,029.55 | \$1,966.63 |
| Non-Medicare Annuitant with Medicare covered spouse or dependent | \$2,029.55 | \$1,966.63 |

This plan is underwritten by BlueCross BlueShield of Illinois. The premiums are based on the medical and pharmacy costs incurred by the plan. Please note that CPS reserves the right to change this program in 2017.

If you have any questions, please contact your appropriate representative: For MEABF retirees' last names beginning with A-K call 312-379-2109, for MEABF retirees' last names beginning with L-Z call 312-379-2108; or for LABF retirees contact the general number at 312-236-2065.

Best regards,

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