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Dear Welfare Participant:

This letter is to provide notice to you of upcoming changes to your prescription drug benefits. Effective July 1, 2019, the Fund's prescription service provider, Optum Rx, will implement two new programs which are designed to promote participant health and drive savings.

First, the Fund has adopted Optum Rx's Vigilant Drug Program. This program contains a number of cost-saving strategies which could lead to reduced out-of-pocket costs in your prescription drug purchases. These strategies include requiring alternative cost-saving drugs to be dispensed when available.

The Trustees have also adopted Optum Rx's Opioid Risk Management program, which includes a requirement that Prior Authorizations and Quantity Limits be in place for Opioid Prescriptions. This program will be effective for all Participants on July 1, 2019, with a grandfathering period for Participants who currently have a prescription for opioids. Participants who currently have a prescription for opioids will have six months from July 1, 2019 to meet with their physician and reset their prescription to the required Prior Authorization and Quantity Limits before the opioid grandfathering period ends on January 1, 2020.

The Fund Office will provide additional information about these changes by a personalized letter on Optum Rx letterhead which will either be enclosed with this mailing, provided in a separate mailing to some participants. Optum letters will include contact information so you can call Optum Rx directly and discuss your prescription needs or advise you on how to address the changes with your physician.

Sincerely,
Board of Trustees
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