

Open Enrollment NEWSLETTER

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR OPEN ENROLLMENT!

Inside you'll find
information on:

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- ✓ Medicare Entitlement
- ✓ Special Enrollment Events
- ✓ Capital Rx: New Pharmacy Benefits Manager (PBM)
- ✓ Trust Health & Wellness Tools



NEED TO KNOW:

Open Enrollment

Open Enrollment occurs during the month of May and is the time when enrollees can make changes to their coverage without a qualifying life event. During this time, your district benefit administrator will communicate what you need to do to complete Open Enrollment, and when the last day is to enroll to ensure that your health care coverage continues into the next Plan Year.

Things to remember during the Open Enrollment process and information that needs to be communicated by you, the enrollee, to your district include:

- **Coordination of Benefits:** If you or one of your dependents have other insurance coverage in addition to the NY44 Health Benefits Plan Trust, you must complete the Coordination of Benefits enrollment form and submit to your district.
- **Child with Special Healthcare Needs:** You must submit Child with Special Healthcare Needs documentation to your benefit administrator.
- **For a Child with Special Healthcare Needs over the age of 26:** The primary enrollee must annually submit to the benefit administrator the Affidavit of Eligibility for Dependents over Age 26 and the first page of the immediate past year's federal income tax return in which the dependent is listed.
- **Be sure to confirm all information is correct and complete:** Are all dependents listed? Are all social security numbers correct? Are all dates of birth correct?
- **This is a good time to confirm all information provided for mandatory maintenance medication through mail order is also correct and complete. Remember, if you terminate coverage with the Trust, you must notify your mail order provider, otherwise you will be responsible for prescription costs after your coverage termination date.**

NEED TO KNOW: Medicare

Retirees over the age of 65 are entitled to Medicare. As a retiree, Medicare is the primary payer and the Trust coordinates with Medicare to pay the balance not covered by Medicare. As a retiree age 65 and over and an enrollee of the Trust, you must enroll in Medicare Parts A and B in order to continue coverage with the Trust. Failure to enroll in Medicare Parts A and B upon eligibility will result in the loss of medical coverage with the Trust. It is important to notify your school district benefit administrator when you and/or your covered spouse receive a Medicare claim number. If you receive new Medicare ID cards, please submit a copy to your benefit administrator to update your file.

JUST A REMINDER!

Special Enrollment Events:

Special Enrollment is a 30-day period when enrollees are eligible to enroll or make changes to their enrollment outside of the May Open Enrollment window. **To process the Special Enrollment event the benefit administrator will need a new signed application and acceptable documentation of the event.** The Special Enrollment Events include: Adoption, Birth, Divorce, Death, Marriage, and Loss/Gain Eligibility of Coverage.

Coming Soon! TRUST PRESCRIPTION DRUG PLAN ROLLOUT

The Board of Trustees have approved a change to a new pharmacy benefits manager, also known as a (PBM) vendor. Effective July 1, 2021, we will move the prescription drug coverage administration from the Pharmacy Benefit Dimensions (PBD) plan to our new administrator, Capital Rx.



Capital Rx

A FEW KEY POINTS:

- Plan design and copays will be the same!
- If there are any formulary changes, impacted enrollees will be notified directly by Capital Rx.
- Members, starting July 1st will be able to fill mail order prescriptions through Walmart.
- Much of the remaining mail order (through Proact) will be transferred directly to Capital Rx. (Note: There are some limitations on what cannot be transferred such as: expired prescriptions, prescriptions without refills, compounds, controlled substance drugs).
- Capital Rx has a broad network of over 60,000 retail pharmacies. Their network includes most major retail chains, grocery in-store pharmacies as well as some locally owned pharmacies. This means the retail pharmacy you currently utilize is most likely included in their current network.
- Don't Forget! The enrollee is responsible to end Mail Order automatic refills when their Rx prescription changes, or their coverage ends.

For all the latest information on the Rx transition, visit the Trust website: www.e1b.ny44.org



Scan Here!

to watch an informational video on the Capital Rx transition.



MAIL ORDER INSTRUCTIONS

What do I need to do for Mail Order prescription drug?

For members with *current* prescriptions with Wegmans and ProAct:

If you have a current, active (additional refills still remaining) prescription(s)

- Capital Rx will be obtaining files from Wegmans and ProAct to transfer any remaining refills to Walmart Mail Order fulfillment center. (except for those noted below)
- You will still need to register on-line with Walmart.com to provide payment information (i.e. credit card)
- The member portal will be available on July 1st (additional details of how to register will be posted to the NY44 website)

If you have a current prescription but your last refill will run out before July 1, 2021:

- Depending on the days supply left, you will need to contact your physician to obtain a new prescription to submit to Walmart Pharmacy Mail Order (see instructions below)
- In some instances, again, depending on the days supply remaining, you may need to request two written prescriptions, one for a retail fill (30-day supply) and another for the mail order (90-day supply) with the appropriate refills. Discuss this with your physician to ensure no interruption in your medication.

- You can have your physician submit the new mail order prescription using any one of the following options:
 - » **E-prescribe:** Have your doctor e-prescribe to: Walmart Pharmacy Mail Order 2625.
 - » **Fax:** Have your doctor fax your prescription to 1-800-406-8976. Faxed prescriptions may only be sent by a doctor's office and must include patient information and diagnosis for timely processing.
 - » **Mail:** Mail us your prescription and a completed Walmart Mail Order Form to: 1025 W. Trinity Mills, Carrollton TX, 75006.
 - » **Please note:** For prompt delivery, please provide your payment information by mailing in your completed order form or by calling your dedicated Customer Care team at (833) 772-2779.

Once you have registered and set up your profile with Walmart, and request a prescription to be filled, there is about a 5 day turn-around time before you receive your order at your home.

If you have a current prescription and it is for either a controlled substance (i.e. pain medication) OR a compound drug (drug that requires mixing of multiple ingredients), these prescriptions cannot be transferred from the Wegmans and ProAct:

- You will need to contact your physician and explain your pharmacy benefits administrator is changing from PBD to Capital Rx effective July 1st and request the physician to provide a new written prescription.
- Your physician can follow one of the options noted above to submit the prescription to Walmart Pharmacy Mail Order

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