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# Circular Letter

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**TO: SPECIAL DISTRIBUTION FOR HUMBOLDT COUNTY AGENCIES  
HEALTH BENEFITS OFFICERS (HBO) AND ASSISTANT HEALTH  
BENEFITS OFFICERS**

**SUBJECT: BLUE SHIELD NET VALUE NO LONGER AVAILABLE IN  
HUMBOLDT COUNTY**

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**Blue Shield  
Net Value  
Discontinues  
Coverage**

Effective January 1, 2015, Blue Shield Net Value will no longer be available in Humboldt County.

CalPERS has notified impacted subscribers regarding this change in a letter dated August 13, 2014. The letter instructs subscribers to change their health plan during Open Enrollment. Failure to make a change within the requested time frame will result in an administrative transfer to PERS Choice Preferred Provider Organization effective January 1, 2015.

An additional letter reminding subscribers to make a health plan change during Open Enrollment will be mailed on September 15, 2014.

To ensure your employees enroll in a plan that services their area, please encourage them to review their Open Enrollment packet and make a health plan change during Open Enrollment. Subscribers will receive their Open Enrollment packets by the end of August.

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**Health Plan  
Information**

For more information regarding Blue Shield Net Value or specific questions regarding the network of doctors and specialists, contact:

Blue Shield of California - Net Value  
(800) 334-5847  
[www.blueshieldca.com/calpers](http://www.blueshieldca.com/calpers)

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## **BLUE SHIELD NET VALUE DISCONTINUES COVERAGE, Continued**

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**Questions**      If you have any questions, please contact the CalPERS Customer Contact Center at **888 CalPERS** (or **888-225-7377**).

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