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TO: ALL PEMHCA HEALTH BENEFITS OFFICERS AND ASSISTANT HEALTH BENEFITS OFFICERS

SUBJECT: 2010 SUBSTANCE ABUSE CONDITION BENEFITS - UPDATE

A Substance Abuse Condition Benefits Supplement has been added to the 2010 Evidence of Coverage (EOC) booklet. Blue Shield members who request a 2010 EOC will receive an EOC with the supplement insert. Members who access the EOC online will also be able to view the supplement insert. The EOC can be accessed at www.blueshieldca.com/bsc/calpers/member/plan-benefits/index.jhtml.

Attachment A reflects the Substance Abuse Condition Benefits Supplement that describes the 2010 substance abuse benefits for the Blue Shield Basic members enrolled in either the Blue Shield Access + Health Maintenance Organization (HMO), the Exclusive Provider Organization (EPO), or the NetValue HMO health plan.

In addition, the online 2010 Health Benefit Summary has been updated to reflect the 2010 substance abuse benefits. This summary is available for viewing on CalPERS On-Line at www.calpers.ca.gov.

All questions regarding Blue Shield substance abuse benefits should be directed to the CalPERS Blue Shield dedicated member services at 1-800-334-5847.

If you have any questions about the information provided in this Circular Letter, please contact the CalPERS Employer Contact Center at 888 CalPERS (888-225-7377).

Sincerely,

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