Health Benefits
Circular Letter

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To: Health Benefits Officers and Assistant Health Benefits Officers
Subject: Anthem Traditional HMO Additional Enrollment Opportunity in Butte County

Purpose
The purpose of this Circular Letter is to inform your agency of the availability of Anthem Traditional HMO in Butte County, effective January 1, 2019. Employees who are using a Butte County ZIP code for health eligibility will have an additional enrollment opportunity to elect a plan change into Anthem Traditional HMO.

Additional Enrollment Opportunity
To ensure our members are able to make the best health coverage decisions for themselves and their families, CalPERS is providing a one-time additional enrollment opportunity to enroll in the Anthem Traditional HMO plan. The four-week enrollment period is from October 8 – November 8, 2018 and the change will be effective January 1, 2019.

Member Options
Impacted members have two options:

Option 1: To remain enrolled in their current health plan, no action by the member is needed.

Option 2: To enroll in the Anthem Traditional HMO plan, active members must submit a CalPERS Health Benefits Plan Enrollment Form (HBD-12) to their health benefits officer (HBO) between October 8 – November 8, 2018.
Member Communication
On October 4, 2018, the attached letter was mailed to all members eligible for this one-time additional enrollment opportunity. The letter informs eligible members of the opportunity to enroll in the Anthem HMO Traditional health plan.

Employer Responsibilities
Employers are responsible for obtaining a completed HBD-12 from each eligible member electing to change their health plan to Anthem Traditional HMO during the additional enrollment opportunity. The forms must be faxed to CalPERS at (800) 959-6545 by November 8, 2018, to be processed.

To validate the transactions have been processed, refer to the Employer Health Event Notification Report available in my|CalPERS.

Additional Resources
For instructions on generating my|CalPERS reports, refer to the my|CalPERS Employer Reports (Cognos) (PDF) student guide.

Questions
If you have any questions about the information provided in this circular letter, contact the CalPERS Customer Contact Center at 888 CalPERS (or 888-225-7377).

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Attachment: Subscriber Letter