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Self-Insurance Committee Newsletter – August 2011

Reminder – Open Enrollment Period for Medical Insurance

All employees will be allowed to change insurance coverage by making a written request to Teresa Kemp between August 15, 2011 and September 15, 2011. Employees may enroll in the insurance or drop the insurance for themselves or their dependents during this time period. They may also change their deductible option. If you wish to make a change, this change will take effect on October 1, 2011.

Until the contract negotiations are finalized, we do not know what the insurance coverage or cost will be beginning October 1, 2011. As soon as this information is available, another newsletter will be sent to inform all employees of the changes.

New Employees Benefits Deadline

All new employees have 30 days from the first date of employment to elect any benefit. For new teachers and paraeducators who started on the first day of school, this deadline is September 17, 2011.

Controlling Your Health For Life: Patient Self-Management Program for Diabetes

This diabetes management program is available to all QPS employees and their eligible dependents covered by our medical plan, who have diabetes. This program offers *free* diabetes medications and testing supplies. In addition, participants meet with a pharmacy coach to improve their health by helping them learn how to better self-manage their own diabetes care. Participation is voluntary and confidential.

Eligible members may enroll in this program at any time. To learn more about this program, or to receive enrollment forms, please contact the Tri-State Health Care Coalition office at (217)221-3460 or info@tshcc.com.

Did you know...

During the months of May, June, and July the District paid \$1,313,202 in medical claims and \$272,517 in prescription claims for its covered employees and their dependents.

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