#### **2017 RETIREMENT HEALTH BENEFIT**

# Open Enrollment Newsletter



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#### The Basics

Emeriti will continue to offer the following pre- and post-65 insurance plans in 2017:

- 3 Medicare Advantage Plans
- 2 Supplemental Retiree Plans K & L
- 3 Medicare Part D prescription drug plans
- 3 Pre-65 Retiree/Dependent plans
- 1 optional dental plan



Your insurance kit will be mailed in late October

#### **Aetna Insurance Premium Rates in 2017**

The medical & prescription drug plans will see modest premium increases for 2017, as follows:

- Aetna Medicare Advantage plan premiums will increase 6.5%
- Aetna Supplemental Retiree Medical plans K & L premiums will increase 3.5%
- Aetna prescription drug plan premiums will increase 4.3%
- Aetna pre-65 insurance plan premiums will increase 10%
- Aetna's dental plan premiums will not increase in 2017

## Switch Between Plans Or Do Nothing

You may switch between any of the medical and prescription drug plans, and enroll in the optional dental plan during Emeriti's open enrollment.

If you're satisfied with your current coverage, you don't need to do anything - you will be automatically enrolled in the same plans for 2017.

#### 2017 Aetna Medical Plans

Three Aetna Medicare Advantage Preferred Provider Organization Plans (PPO)

## AETNA IS YOUR PRIMARY INSURANCE

Aetna provides Medicare Parts A & B benefits

#### YOU USE ONE AETNA CARD

You still need to get your Medicare card & you still pay the Medicare Part B premium

MEDICARE ADVANTAGE PLANS

**EXTRA BENEFITS AVAILABLE** 

Annual eye & hearing exams Silver & Fit Exercise Program Aetna Nurse Case Manager Wellness Coach **NO PLAN DEDUCTIBLES** 

NO MEDICARE PARTS A & B DEDUCTIBLES

Aetna Supplemental Retiree Medical (SRM) Plans K & L<sup>1</sup> (National) Aetna Group Medicare Supplemental (GMS) Plans A and L (Florida)

## MEDICARE IS YOUR PRIMARY INSURANCE

Aetna plans coordinate with Medicare Parts A & B

USE YOUR MEDICARE CARD & YOUR AETNA CARD

You pay Medicare Part B premium

SRM & GMS PLANS

**NO PLAN DEDUCTIBLES** 

YOU PAY PERCENTAGE OF MEDICARE PARTS A & B DEDUCTIBLES

**NO EXTRA BENEFITS** 

<sup>1</sup>Plans K and L are not available in Florida, Vermont, Minnesota, Maryland, Washington, & American Samoa. Emeriti will offer Aetna Group Medicare Supplement Insurance (GMS) Plans A and L to retirees living in Florida. You will receive detailed information in your annual enrollment kit.

#### **2017 Aetna Prescription Drug Plans**

Emeriti will continue to offer three Medicare-approved Part D drug plans -- Premium, Plus, and Standard benefit options.<sup>1</sup> Premium rates will vary depending on which drug plan you choose and in which state you live.

Aetna will continue to provide an Emeriti-specific formulary guide, representing the three tiers of generic, preferred brand, and non-preferred brand, that are specific to Emeriti's Part D plans. The guide will be available later this fall on the Emeriti website (EmeritiHealth.org).





#### 2017 Aetna Dental Plan

Dental coverage may be added to medical and prescription drug coverage, or in combination with the stand-alone Rx Standard Plan. If you dis-enroll from the dental plan, you will not be able to re-enroll again. (The dental plan will not be available in Maryland.)

### 2017 Medicare Updates

#### Changes to Centers for Medicaid and Medicare (CMS) Cost Sharing

- 1. Cost sharing for pulmonary rehabilitation cannot be greater than \$30.
- 2. Cost sharing for the first 20 days of skilled nursing facility care will not be greater than \$20.

### 2017 Aetna Plan Update

Aetna will provide diabetic eye exams at \$0 cost share when performed by network providers.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The Rx Mid-High Plan is no longer available for new entrants.

## 2017 Affordable Care Act (ACA) Updates

- The Medicare Coverage Gap Discount Program will continue to provide manufacturer discounts on brand name drugs to Part D beneficiaries who reach the Coverage Gap and are not already receiving "Extra Help." A 50% discount on the negotiated price of preferred and non-preferred brand drugs (excluding the dispensing fee) will be available from manufacturers that have agreed to provide the discount at point-of-purchase.
- The Coverage Gap will continue to close between now and 2020. In 2017, if you are not already receiving "Extra Help," your cost share in the Coverage Gap can be no more than 51% for covered Part D generic drugs and 40% for brand-name drugs. Some of the Emeriti plans offer enhanced coverage in the gap, which means your member cost share could be lower. Please refer to your insurance enrollment kit (mailed in late October) for details about each plan.

#### **Good News! Emeriti Fee Reduced**

We are pleased to inform you that the Emeriti participant fee has been reduced by 40%.

Emeriti reduced its fee from \$5 to \$3 per participant per month, effective July 1, 2016. If you have an Emeriti Health Account balance, you will see the fee reduction first reflected in the 2016 third quarter TIAA statement. If you don't have a balance in your Emeriti Health Account, and are paying for premiums through your bank account, the fee reduction will be reflected in the amount withdrawn from your account each month. Alternatively, your employer may be paying for your Emeriti fee.

## Join An Informational Phone Call

Emeriti & Aetna representatives will review the 2017 insurance plans & answer your questions live during the call.



Monday, November 21st from 10:00AM to 11:00AM (ET).

Please call (855) 803-2539 & enter ID: 69063956

Thursday, December 8th from 2:00PM to 3:00PM (ET).

Please call (855) 803-2539 & enter ID: 69155817

## **NEXT STEPS**



## **Starting In Late October**

Review insurance enrollment kit mailed to your residence.



#### **During Open Enrollment (Nov 14 - Dec 9)**

Change coverage or do nothing & be defaulted into the plans you had in 2016.



#### In November & December

Join one of Emeriti's informational phone calls for more details about the 2017 Emeriti insurance plans.

You may have or will soon be receiving an Aetna mailing called "Annual Notice of Change" for the Prescription Drug plan and the Medicare Advantage PPO (or PPO ESA) plan, in which you are currently enrolled. These required documents outline your current plan benefits that will change in 2016. This newsletter and the enrollment kit that will be mailed to you later this fall reflect all of the provisions for the 2016 benefits.

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The Retiree Medical Plan is offered, underwritten or administered by Aetna Life Insurance Company (Aetna). State mandates may apply.

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The Aetna Supplemental Retiree Medical Plan/AETNA RETIREE MEDICAL PLAN/AETNA RETIREE MEDICAL INSURANCE PLAN is not a Medicare Supplement insurance plan or Medigap insurance plan. This is an employer group retiree medical plan and may provide benefits that are different from a Medicare Supplement plan. You must meet the eligibility criteria established by your former employer and be enrolled in Medicare Parts A & B to be eligible to enroll in this plan. The Retiree Medical Plan will not provide coverage for services, supplies or treatment that is covered under Original Medicare. The Retiree Medical Plan covers only Medicare-approved charges up to the Medicare allowable amount, unless otherwise noted in the plan documents. Your state may offer you counseling services and advice regarding your health insurance. For more information about Medicare and other insurance, review the "Guide to Health Insurance for People with Medicare" published by the federal government and available at www. medicare.gov.

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Discount programs provide access to discounted prices and are not insured benefits.

In the event of a conflict or inconsistency between this material and plan documents, the terms of the plan documents shall govern. This Plan provides for automatic adjustment of benefits necessary to cover changes in the coinsurance amount, deductible or coverage requirements of the Medicare program. Changes to Part A and Part B of Medicare are generally announced in October to take effect on the first day of January of the following calendar year.

Aetna will provide notice of any resulting changes in benefits or premium contributions. Any changes required will become effective on the effective date of the change in the Medicare program.

Plans are offered by Aetna Life Insurance Company and its affiliates. Coverage is provided through a Medicare Advantage organization or a Medicare Prescription Drug plan sponsor with a Medicare contract. See plan documents for a complete description of benefits, exclusions, limitations and conditions of coverage. State mandates apply. Product availability may vary by state.

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The Emeriti Program is delivered in collaboration with TIAA, CBIZ Savitz, Aetna Life Insurance Company, and HealthPartners.

Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America (TIAA) will provide services to the plan and may issue plan communications on behalf of the plan sponsor, in its capacity as a plan recordkeeper.

## Your 2017 Emeriti Retirement Health Benefit



Inside you will find an overview of the 2017 health insurance plans available to you and your dependents through your Emeriti Plan.



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