



Peralta Community College District

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Dear Medicare-Eligible Peralta Retiree and/or Spouse,

We are writing to inform you that there will be some changes to your Medical and Prescription Drug Coverage under the Peralta CCD Plan effective January 1, 2023. These changes were made to enhance the benefit, improve operational and administrative workflow, provide members with additional support and to strengthen the financial position of the Retiree Health Plan.

For Current Anthem PPO Enrollee

You and/or your spouse will be automatically enrolled into the Anthem Medicare Advantage and Prescription Drug plan. You and/or your spouse have the option to opt out for the Medicare Supplemental/Part D plan or enroll in the Kaiser Senior Advantage plan.

While we understand, change can be difficult, every attempt has been made to mitigate any plan disruption. Peralta CCD has retained Retiree First, a firm that specializes in the implementation and ongoing member service of retiree health and drug programs, to help you with this change. They have a team of dedicated Member Advocates specifically for Peralta CCD to assist members with enrollment and any ongoing concerns from ordering cards to medical claims and prescription billing issues.

You have three available options

1. Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug (MAPD) Plan through Anthem
2. Medicare Supplement Plan through United American paired with a Medicare Prescription Drug Plan through Anthem.
3. **Retirees of California ONLY** have the option of enrolling in a Kaiser Senior Advantage Plan through SISC. **Retiree First does not manage this benefit, and you should call 800-464-4000 with any questions.**

If you are currently enrolled in the Trustmark Anthem plan, you will receive a welcome guide for the Anthem Medicare Advantage plan in early November 2022. However, if you choose to opt for the United American Supplemental plan/ Anthem PDP plan, you can complete the enclosed Opt out/enrollment form and disregard the Anthem Welcome guide should you receive it.

Next Steps (ALL forms are due no later than Nov. 14, 2022):

- **No action or forms are needed** if you and/or your spouse would like to enroll in the Anthem Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug (MAPD) plan

- Complete the following document if you and/or your spouse would like to opt out and enroll in the United American Supplemental plan/ Anthem PDP plan
 - Anthem Prescription Drug Plan (PDP) Enrollment Form
- Complete the following documents if you would like to enroll in the Kaiser Senior Advantage plan; you can find these forms and additional information at www.peralta.edu/benefits:
 - Kaiser enrollment form
 - Kaiser Senior Advantage election form

Important things to know:

Virtual Meetings

SISC (Kaiser): Peralta CCD and SISC invite you to attend virtual OE meetings being held on the following dates:

- October 24, 2022, from 12 pm to 1 pm <https://peralta-edu.zoom.us/j/86315980089>
- November 7, 2022, from 2 pm to 3 pm <https://peralta-edu.zoom.us/j/82039793973>

Retiree First: Please visit www.retireefirst.com/PeraltaCCD for more information on the virtual meetings. You can find more information on the Retiree First plans in the enclosed FAQ. Contact Retiree First at 855.460.7312 (TTY 711) if you have questions.

Anthem MAPD:

- You can use any doctor or hospital that accepts Medicare and is willing to bill the Anthem MAPD plan. You have the same benefits in and out of the network.
- You can continue to utilize most retail pharmacies to fill your prescriptions as the Anthem Pharmacy Network contains over 68,000 in-network pharmacies nationwide
- You need to obtain new scripts if you want to utilize mail order. Your current scripts will not transfer.
- You only need to present one ID card under Anthem for both medical and pharmacy.
- Anthem MAPD plan has added benefits such as SilverSneakers fitness, Vision and hearing!

Medicare Supplement United American and Medicare Part D Express Scripts

- Medicare will remain primary. Present both your Medicare and United American ID Card at the Doctor and Hospital.
- You will present your Anthem ID card at your local pharmacy.
- You need to obtain new scripts if you want to utilize mail order. Your current scripts will not transfer

Peralta CCD will offer both Kaiser Senior Advantage and the plans above to Medicare retirees who are eligible for District paid benefits. We are required by law to give you the choice of Opting Out of the Anthem Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug (MAPD) Plan. If you have any questions about the plan or Opting Out, please call Retiree First at 855.460.7312 (TTY 711).

At the end of December, you will be receiving your Welcome Kit and ID cards. If you have any questions about any of this information, please do not hesitate to call Retiree First at 855.460.7312 (TTY 711) or the Benefits Office at 510.466.7229 or email benefits@peralta.edu

Sincerely,

Benefits Team

Peralta CCD