



# 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 benefits, improve operational and administrative workflow, provide members with additional support, and strengthen the financial position of the Health Plan.

Peralta Community College District is pleased to announce that the District will be joining the Self-Insured Schools of California (SISC) effective January 1, 2023.

SISC, a Joint Powers Authority administered by the Kern County Superintendent of Schools Office, is the largest public-school pool in the U.S. This provides a considerable advantage to its members as pooling resources provide schools with a more stable long-term insurance solution than purchasing directly from commercial carriers that may be competitive today and out of reach tomorrow. To learn more about SISC, visit [sisc.kern.org](http://sisc.kern.org).

Your coverage indicates that all enrollees are on an Anthem PPO/Kaiser HMO Plan. All under 65 members must enroll in a SISC medical plan until you become Medicare eligible. At that time, you will have the option to enroll in a Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug Plan or Medicare Supplement/Part D plan (in addition to the Kaiser Senior Advantage Plan).

**Action Required (All forms due by 11/14/2022):**

Select Anthem or Kaiser as your plan choice:

- Kaiser enrollees: Complete the Kaiser enrollment form
- Anthem enrollees: Complete the SISC enrollment form
- ALL enrollees: Provide required dependent eligibility documents. Dependents cannot be added without the required documents listed in SISC's Eligibility Documentation Checklist attached.

Included in this packet are plan summaries, enrollment forms, and rate information.

**Virtual Meetings**

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>

### **For Retirees Enrolled in Kaiser**

As a result of the transition to SISC, when an employee is terminated in the Kaiser system, Kaiser may send you a termination letter (Certificate of Creditable Coverage) under your current group number. If you have a question about coverage under SISC effective January 1, 2023, please first call Kaiser customer service at 800-464-4000. We want to assure you that your Kaiser coverage is NOT being terminated; it will continue under a NEW administrator (SISC).

### **ID Cards**

Kaiser members likely will not receive a new card unless you have not received an ID card in the last 395 days or you are new to Kaiser. If you are a current Kaiser member and receive a new card for January 1, 2023, please check the medical record number (MRN) on the card and if it is the same, then there is no need to take any action.

**Anthem PPO** members may call customer service at **800-825-5541** to ask about printing a temporary ID card from the Anthem website <https://www.anthem.com/ca/sisc/> if the member does not have a card by January 1, 2023. Members will need to call Anthem customer service to obtain their member identification number prior to visiting the website.

*If you are enrolled in the Anthem PPO and need to fill a prescription before you receive a combined medical/Rx ID card, please call Anthem to obtain your member identification number. You will need to tell the pharmacist you have coverage through Navitus Health Solutions (SISC's Pharmacy Benefit Manager for RX). Give the pharmacy your group number and identification number obtained from Anthem, along with **Bin# 610602** and **PCN: NVT**. If you have any questions regarding your Rx coverage, please contact Navitus at the number provided below.*

*For Kaiser prescriptions, please contact Kaiser directly.*

RESOURCES	Toll-Free Number/Website Info
Kaiser Customer Service	800-464-4000 <a href="http://www.kp.org">www.kp.org</a>
Anthem Blue Cross Customer Service (Medical and Behavioral Health)	800-825-5541 <a href="http://www.anthem.com/ca/sisc">www.anthem.com/ca/sisc</a>
Navitus Health Solutions	866-333-2757 <a href="http://www.navitus.com">www.navitus.com</a>

If you have any questions about this information, please do not hesitate to call the Benefits Office at 510.466.7229 or email [benefits@peralta.edu](mailto:benefits@peralta.edu).

Sincerely,

*Benefits Team*

Peralta CCD