

Peralta Community College District

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2023 Health Benefit Changes Peralta Community College District Employees New Medical Plans Effective January 1, 2023

Current Affordable Care Act (ACA) - Eligible Peralta Employees

Dear Employee,

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.

Your coverage indicates that you currently have the Affordable Care Act (ACA) coverage with Kaiser Plan. At that time, you will have the option to enroll and select the same Kaiser Plan through SISC) which will run through September 2023.

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

Select Kaiser as your plan choice:

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

This packet includes 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
- November 7, 2022, from 2 pm to 3 pm

https://peralta-edu.zoom.us/j/86315980089 https://peralta-edu.zoom.us/j/82039793973

For Current Kaiser, ACA Enrolled

 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.

For Kaiser prescriptions, please contact Kaiser directly.

| RESOURCES | Toll-Free Number/Website Info | |
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| Kaiser Customer Service | 800-464-4000 | www.kp.org |

If you have any questions about this information, please do not hesitate to call the Benefits Office at 510.466.7229 or email <u>benefits@peralta.edu.</u>

Kind Regards, *Benefits Team* Peralta PCCD