

A look at the week's most recent employee benefits & announcements

## IN THE NEWS THIS WEEK

Week of April 11th

### MARTIN SPEAKS

As part of Horizon BCBS of NJ's continuing *Broker Education Series*, Horizon is pleased to announce the upcoming Broker WebEx:

#### 2016 Horizon IHC Special Enrollment Periods and 2016 Small Group Special Enrollment Periods

- April 26, 2016 1:00 p.m. 2016 IHC SEP
- April 27, 2016 11:00 a.m. 2016 Small Group SEP
- April 27, 2016 1:00 p.m. 2016 Small Group SEP
- April 28, 2016 11:00 a.m. 2016 IHC SEP
- April 28, 2016 1:00 p.m. 2016 Small Group SEP

This presentation will provide an overview of the Horizons Special Enrollment guidelines in the IHC and Small Group markets.

**Registration is required and limited to 190 participants (information below)**

Please [Click Here](#) for Registration

For more information, please contact [brokersupport@martinins.com](mailto:brokersupport@martinins.com)

**Also, don't miss our recent blog post on the NAHU GA Council Meeting Details with Stephanie and Tracy!**

[Click here](#) for the link to the post.

### CARRIER UPDATES

#### Aetna Incorrect July NJ 1-50 Renewal Rates

We would like to advise you that Aetna July 1-50 ACA Medical renewals for New Jersey contained incorrect premium rates. There will be a letter sent to Plan Sponsors who were affected. [Read More](#)

### Upcoming Events

## MIG's Upcoming April CE Class

Welcome in Spring and join us for Martin Insurance Group's Upcoming April CE class!

For our April class, **Stephanie** will cover 2016 updates, the current New Jersey and Federal landscape, as well as the emerging strategies and trends to help your clients design an employee benefits package.

**Thursday,  
April 21st**

**9 AM- 12 PM  
8:30 AM**

**Registration**

**Crowne Plaza  
690 US-46  
Fairfield, NJ 07004**

## Hoffman-Brown Joins Horizon BCBS of New Jersey

Horizon BCBS of NJ is pleased to announce that Kathleen Hoffmann-Brown has joined Horizon in the position of Sales Director, Public Sector, Labor and Gaming, effective April 4, 2016. [Read More](#) about her position.

## United Concordia Mailbox No Longer in Use

Please note, the AHNJGroupApp@ucci.com mailbox is no longer being monitored. Any requests sent to this mailbox will not be answered. Please direct all AmeriHealth dental group application and enrollment inquiries to Christopher.Hall@amerihealth.com. [Read More](#).

## Weight Watchers in Now Available with HRINJ!

Health Republic Insurance of New Jersey is excited to announce their new partnership with Weight Watchers, the internationally recognized weightloss program. HRINJ members can now participate in Weight Watchers at zero cost for up to six months! [Read More](#).

## Qualcare April Broker Briefs 2016

Qualcare has released the April edition of their Broker Briefs. To date, 2016 has been a year of accomplishment and positive change to better serve the brokers, clients, and members. January saw the largest enrollment in the MEWA's history, followed by a solid first quarter. Qualcare is projecting a large growth year, thanks to the broker partners. [Read More](#).

## AmeriHealth Launch of Identity Theft Protection Services

AmeriHealth New Jersey is pleased to offer members a new valuadded service at no cost: identity theft protection. Beginning this month, identity theft protection services will be available to individual consumer members. These services will be provided by Experian® - a leading global information services company - and will include two products. [Read More](#).

## CIGNA Final Summary of Benefits and Coverage Template and Instructions

On April 6, the Department of Labor (DOL) issued final regulations on the new Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) template and related documents, intended for use as of April 1, 2017. Final documents and a completed sample SBC are available on the DOL website. [Read More](#).

## New Look to OCA125.com Coming Soon!

Early next week O.C.A. will be launching it's revised oca125.com website! The updated site will include new forms, new employer and

[Register Here](#)

## Upcoming CMS Webinar Consumer Protection and PII

Wednesday,  
May 11, 2016  
1 -2:30 PM

-the standards of conduct for agents and brokers

-the requirements for protecting and using consumer PII

-other best practices and guidance related to consumer PII

[Read More](#)

## NJAHU Conference 2016

May 9th-May 11th

Please remember to sign up and experience:

Industry Networking Opportunities, Exciting Speakers, and CE Credits!

employee videos, and much more. Please note that this site does not replace myrsc. [Read More.](#)

**A total of 9 CE Credits will be available.**

## **Aetna New York Medical Commission Rates are Changing Effective 5/1/16**

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Just as a FYI for all our brokers who do business in New York, as of May 1, 2016, Aetna is changing its commission approach for both new and renewal business. To meet recent regulatory guidance, Aetna changed from a multi-tier to a single tier approach. [Read More.](#)

## **IRS Small Business Tax Credit Tips**

The Small Business Health Care Tax Credit can help you provide insurance to your employees and may be able to save on your taxes if the employer paid for at least half of their health insurance premiums and meets other criteria. In the below bulletin, there are 7 tips for employers on the Small Business Tax Credit you must read. [Read More.](#)

## **MARTIN UP-TO-THE-MINUTE**

We have summarized the top announcements from the carriers and Martin to keep you up-to-the minute with the news and happenings in the industry! Check out what's happening below.

[Oxford June Renewals Posted to your Dashboard](#)

[AmeriHealth Consumer SEP Broker Adjustment Announcement](#)

[Weight Watchers Now Available with Health Republic Insurance of NJ!](#)

## **IMPORTANT DEADLINES AND REMINDERS**

### **New Business and Conversion Deadlines**

Stay up-to-date and prepared with all the upcoming conversion and new business deadlines with the major SEH carriers in NJ.

[Click Here.](#)

## **2016 MARKETPLACE REGISTRATION LINKS**

2016 links are out so make sure you are registered for this year's Open Enrollment Season!

For more information, please contact Greg Nocera at [gnocera@martinins.com](mailto:gnocera@martinins.com).

[2016 Horizon BCBS of NJ Marketplace Registration Link](#)

[2016 AmeriHealth Marketplace Registration Link](#)

[2016 UHC/Broker Marketplace Link](#)

[Oscar 2016 Marketplace Link](#)



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