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IN THE NEWS THIS WEEK

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Dear Valued Broker,

Within this Instant Recall, you will find a summary of this week's most recent employee benefits changes, carrier announcements, and industry news. We hope you enjoy!

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HEADLINE

Reduction in HSA Contribution for 2018

As a result of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, the IRS has recalculated the limits for HSA contributions and a few other employee benefit contribution limits.

Internal Revenue Bulletin No. 2018-10, released March 5, states that for HSAs, the annual tax-deductible contribution limit for tax year 2018 will stay at \$3,450 for singles, but the family contribution level has been lowered to \$6,850 from \$6,900.

Health care flexible spending accounts (FSAs), transit and other benefit limits now linked to the chained CPI were not affected for 2018.

Please [click here](#) to read Internal Revenue Bulletin No. 2018-10

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TWEET OF THE WEEK



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Three days ago, Rep. Kurt Schrader introduced the Medicare Entrollment Protection Act (HR 5104) to Congress. This bill would make COBRA coverage creditable for Medicare Part B -- which is great news! Learn more about COBRA on our blog buff.ly/2tcCveY



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CARRIER UPDATES

Cigna - Plans to Acquire Express Scripts

Earlier this week, Cigna announced it has entered into a definitive agreement to acquire Express Scripts, a pharmacy services company. They plan on creating an expanded portfolio of health services that offers greater choice, alignment and value for everyone they serve.

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OCA - IRS Announces REVISED HSA Contribution Limits in 2018

Due to the Tax Reform bill signed in December, the annual HSA limit for family contribution level has gone down. This change is retroactively effective as of January 1, 2018.

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CMS - Getting Ready for Tax Season

Agents and brokers can help consumers who enrolled in coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplaces and received advance payments of the premium tax credit (APTC) understand the Form 1095-A that they receive from the Marketplace.

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Oxford - New Optum ID Login Process

This new enhanced login option increases security and provides account recovery functionality. It grants the user the the ability to use only one username and password when accessing other sites powered by Optum ID.

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Horizon - Auto-Pay Campaign Launch for Individual Members

Horizon BCBS is pleased to announce a promotion currently launching for Individual Members. This includes both members enrolling in Auto Bill Pay at the time of Medical enrollment as well as existing subscribers.

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Horizon BCBS - OMNIA Hospital Tier List

Horizon BCBS has recently released their updated OMNIA tiered hospital list. This listing of OMNIA Health Plan Tier 1 and Tier 2 hospitals is complete as of January

2018. The list is subject to change, so always verify hospital network participation status prior to making your selection.

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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 May 2018 Renewals Posted to your Dashboard](#)

[AmeriHealth May Renewals Posted to Your Dashboard](#)

[Horizon BCBS Health Plus Plan Broker Bonus Edition](#)

IMPORTANT DEADLINE AND REMINDERS

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

[Click here](#) for 2018 Horizon BCBSNJ deadlines

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Please visit our [Events](#) page for a complete list of all new and retention business deadlines.

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