

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

IN THE NEWS THIS WEEK

September 22, 2014

Under the [Medicare Modernization Act](#), all Medicare eligible persons have access to prescription drug coverage under Medicare Part D. The Act also set forth the requirement that all group health sponsors that provide prescription drug coverage must disclose to eligible individuals whether their coverage is "creditable", (i.e., whether it is at least actuarially equivalent to Medicare Part D coverage).

Below are the Part D Notification releases from the carriers:

[Horizon BCBS of NJ](#)
[UHC/Oxford](#)

We have supplied a [sample model notice](#) from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) that sponsors can use to satisfy the disclosure requirement.

For more information, please contact brokersupport@martinins.com

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[New Business and Conversion Deadlines](#)

[Horizon BCBS of NJ Deadlines for 3rd and 4th Quarter](#)

[2015 AmeriHealth IHC Portal Registration Link](#)

[2015 Horizon BCBS of NJ Marketplace Registration Link](#)

[Health Republic Insurance of NJ Increasing Individual Commission Effective 1/1/15](#)

Horizon BCBS of NJ

[Horizon BCBS of NJ Creditable Coverage Notice Reminder](#)

AmeriHealth NJ

[AmeriHealth 2015 Group Medicare Advantage Renewal Update](#)

**TUESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 23rd
9AM**

Space is Limited. Your Earning Potential is Not!

If you're looking for new ways to expand your Medicare offerings and earn CE credits at the same time, you'll want to attend this complimentary 2 hour sessions from Martin Insurance Group.

Please contact Jessica Martin for more information!

9 AM- 11 AM

[Register Here](#)

**THURSDAY,
SEPTEMBER 25th
9 AM-11 AM**

Please join us for our upcoming September CE class!

Topics will include the upcoming Annual Open Enrollment, Contribution Strategies, and Employer Reporting Requirements,

CIGNA

[CIGNA Web Meeting: HCR Employer Readiness on Upcoming Requirements of the PPACA](#)

[Draft Instructions for IRS Reporting on Individual and Employer Mandates](#)

UHC/Oxford

[Part D Creditable Coverage Deadline Set for Oct. 15](#)

Health Republic of NJ

[Health Republic of NJ Increasing Individual Commission 1/1/15](#)

Aetna

[Aetna Update to New Business Underwriting Process for 51-100 Size Groups](#)

[Aetna Health Reform Weekly: House Approves 5 Year Transition Policy for Health Plans](#)

just to name a few.

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**WEDNESDAY,
OCTOBER 15th
9 AM- 12 PM**

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