



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

IN THE NEWS THIS WEEK

Week of August 1st

MARTIN SPEAKS

Plan Year 2017 CMS Registration is Now Open

Plan year 2017 CMS registration and training opened on Monday, August 1. You can log in to your CMS Enterprise Portal user accounts at <https://portal.cms.gov>.

NAHU, another vendor offering training, has also released their training portal. Please [click here](#) for more details.

****REMINDER**** Creating multiple CMS user accounts is not permitted. This will cause a delay in registration and receiving compensation. For details on how to avoid this, please [click here](#).

CMS is holding refresher training for Agent and Brokers along with registration and training. To take advantage of this, please log on to www.REGTAP.info.

- Wednesday, August 3 from 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM ET
- Wednesday, August 10 from 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM ET
- Thursday, August 4 from 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM ET

For more information, please contact Jenn Mellen at jmellen@martinins.com

CARRIER UPDATES

Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP) Mailing Update

On July 12, 2016, a Broker Alert was distributed notifying AmeriHealth customers of a mailing to customers with 1- 300 employees requesting employee count information to help accurately process claims per Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP) regulations. This is a required form that groups must fill out and submit. Our Retention Team is ready and able to assist in this process as they are collecting and submitting these forms to AmeriHealth on your behalf . [Read More](#)

Nondiscrimination in Health Programs and Activities - Final Rule for Section 1557 of the Affordable Care Act

Upcoming Events

NJ MEWA Law CE class - Presented by Steve Honig

Please join us for an exciting new class in our new Cranbury office, NJ MEWA Law!

The 2 hour CE class, presented by Steve Honig of O.C.A. Benefits, will go over what a MEWA is, how it is different than conventional insurance, and how a MEWA minimizes financial risk.

We will also have Qualcare available to do a review of their products and for any questions.

Space is Limited!

August 18th at 9 AM
259 Prospect Plains
Road
Building F, Suite 110
Cranbury, NJ 08512

[Register Here](#)

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) recently issued its Final Rule "Nondiscrimination in Health Programs and Activities," (the Rule) implementing Section 1557. The Rule became effective on July 18, 2016. To the extent the Rule requires changes to health benefit plans, the changes must be effective on the first day of the first plan year beginning on or after January 1, 2017.

[Read More.](#)

AmeriHealth Rx mail order Auto-refill program Transitioning to New Vendor

AmeriHealth New Jersey members will transition to a new prescription drug mail order system on October 1, 2016. In advance of this transition, the current FutureScripts mail order vendor unexpectedly turned off the autorefill component on July 15, 2016.

[Read More](#)

IRS Form 1095 B Employer Survey Issued

For the 2016 tax year, it is important that the health coverage is reported under the name of the actual employer, i.e., the employer name shown on the employees' W-2 Forms. To collect and validate this information, a letter was sent to small business fully insured employers beginning July 18, requesting them to confirm if they are a controlled group. [Read More.](#)

Agents/Brokers - Now Available Slides from Plan year 2017 Registration and Training Webinars

CMS has posted the slides from their plan year 2017 Federally-facilitated Marketplace (FFM) registration and training webinars for both new and returning agents and brokers in the "Agent and Broker Webinars" section of the Agents and Brokers Resources webpage. [Read More](#)

AmeriHealth Annual Notification to Members

Annually, AmeriHealth New Jersey sends members important updates about their health benefits to comply with standards from the National Committee for Quality Accreditation (NCQA) as well as privacy and legal requirements.

[Read More for the notification.](#)

Save the date for O.C.A.'s HR-Broker Day!

Mark your calendars for September 15th for OCA's Broker Day! This year's theme is "Makeover". [Read More.](#)

Magnicare Broker Bulletin

No matter who becomes the 45th president, funds should be aware of how the results could impact U.S. healthcare benefits. In this issue of the MagnaCare Broker Bulletin, we'll take a look at the potentially significant changes in store for ACA and the healthcare market. [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.

For more information, please contact jessmartin@martinins.com

AmeriHealth Statewide Broker Seminar

Agenda:

General Updates, Post Migration Update, ACA and Market Update, Commissions, Fixed Funding, AHA Capabilities, Moving Forward

Wednesday, September 14

Meeting 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Reception 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

**The Westin Princeton at
Forrestal Village**
201 Village Blvd
Princeton NJ 08540

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[Medicare Secondary Payer \(MSP\) Mailing Update](#)

[AmeriHealth October Renewals Posted to your Dashboard](#)

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.

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

[2016 AmeriHealth Marketplace Registration Link](#)

[Oscar 2016 Marketplace Link](#)

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