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2015 Renewals Subject to Coverage Changes

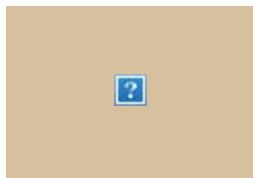
In the past, carriers have been permitted to make coverage changes in the group market at renewal - subject to certain state and federal implementation and notice requirements.

New federal law requirements related to Uniform Modification (an exception to guaranteed renewability requirements) will impact the scope, timing, content and prominence of these notices.

You and your clients will soon be seeing notifications (using the new format) describing coverage changes to take effect at the next 2015 renewal.



New Quoting Form Released



Use our new Universal 2-50 Request for Quote form to help expedite your quote requests.

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Age 26 Adult Child Coverage Updates



View an update on Adult Child Coverage to Age 26 guidelines including who is affected and termination options.

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Health Reform

- **Exchange Broker Certification Requirement:** See how you can get certified to meet the Federal government requirement to help customers enroll in "on Exchange" plans through the Federally Facilitated Marketplace. [Learn more](#) ►

Health Reports & Studies

- Read UnitedHealth Group's Center for Health Reform & Modernization [new report](#) highlighting practical solutions that can increase primary care capacity and access to needed services, and improve care delivery. [Learn more](#) ►

Member Support

- **Member Pharmacy Website Adds New Features:** The OptumRx pharmacy member website was recently updated, making it easier for your clients' employees to manage their

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prescriptions online including renewing prescriptions, moving prescriptions from retail to mail and setting up home delivery. [View](#) the recently sent member email announcement.

- ▶ **Coming Soon: New Health and Wellness Digital Experience to Drive Consumer Engagement:** Beginning Nov. 3, 2014 through 2015, we will provide our members with access to RallySM digital health and wellness experience--an innovative, consumer-engagement platform that makes it easy for individuals to better manage their health. [Learn more](#) ▶

- ▶ **Member HSA Notice:** Beginning Dec. 2, Optum BankSM, Member FDIC, will conduct an email notice to account holders about the benefits of contributing to their health savings accounts. [Learn more](#) ▶

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Client Services

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Pharmacy

- ▶ **Specialty Medication Expenses:** Nearly 50 percent of all specialty medication expense are through the medical benefit - leaving room for additional, uncovered cost savings. View the [OptumRx and UnitedHealthcare presentation](#) discussing some of the strategies needed to keep specialty drug spending in check.
- ▶ **Jan. 1 PDL Change:** We have revised the recent Jan. 1, 2015 PDL updates that were issued in the Sept. 3 Broker Connection. For accuracy and reference purposes please now use these [PDL Updates](#).