



## New Flexible Spending Account (FSA) Vendor - Effective January 1, 2019!

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The State of Montana Benefit Plan (State Plan) is pleased to announce that effective January 1, 2019 the Flexible Spending Account (FSA) program will be administered by ASIFlex. ASIFlex is located in Columbia, Missouri and has administered FSA programs since 1987. ASIFlex works with many state governments and, in fact, was the administrator of the State Plan's FSA program several years ago.

**Although the FSA administrator has changed, the administration fee has not changed.** The monthly administration fee will remain \$2.26 (which will be a bi-weekly payroll deduction of \$1.13). However, there will no longer be a monthly fee for debit cards, all FSA participants who have elected a Medical FSA for 2019 will receive a debit card.

In order to streamline the transition process from Allegiance to ASIFlex **we strongly encourage you to submit any 2018 plan year claims you have to Allegiance on or before December 31, 2018.** Submitting claims prior to December 31 will ensure you are promptly reimbursed for any 2018 claims. **If you currently have a debit card, Allegiance will be shutting off that card on December 31, 2018.** For information on how to submit FSA claims to Allegiance visit [www.askallegiance.com](http://www.askallegiance.com) or call (866) 339-4310.

On January 1, 2019, ASIFlex will assume payment for 2018 plan year claims, as well as administer 2019 plan year claims. Therefore, **as of January 1, 2019 ALL claims will be submitted to ASIFlex. ASIFlex will manage the FSA run out period (2018 claims submitted within 120 days from the end of the plan year), as well as manage the \$500 roll over.**

The FSA contributions you elected during Open Enrollment will be shared with ASIFlex, and you will be receiving a confirmation letter from ASIFlex within the next week outlining how to access your new FSA account. You will receive debit cards for your ASIFlex account (if you elected a Medical FSA for 2019) within the next 2-3 weeks. Watch your mailbox for this very important information.

Additional information regarding how to access your FSA account starting January 1, 2019 will be provided during the coming weeks. However, please feel free to contact the Health Care & Benefits Division (HCBD) at (800) 287-8266 or email [benefitsquestions@mt.gov](mailto:benefitsquestions@mt.gov). We look forward to working with you in 2019!

### State of Montana Health Care & Benefits Division

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