This is the only document you will receive regarding Open Enrollment. If you have specific benefit questions, refer to www.benefits.mt.gov or contact HCBD at (800) 287-8266, TTY (406) 444-1421, or benefitsquestions@mt.gov.
DEAR STATE OF MONTANA BENEFIT PLAN (STATE PLAN) RETIREE,

The State of Montana has implemented many practical and innovative solutions to continue to provide and expand access to quality and affordable healthcare. Many of these strategies were also successful in allowing the State Plan to control cost, better manage the plan, and improve health outcomes for members.

In 2016, Transparent Pricing, also known as Reference Based Pricing, was implemented and allowed us to control the cost of health care while maintaining quality, predictability, and fairness. We called this new way of reimbursing providers “Transparent Pricing,” but it really was the introduction of what many in the healthcare industry call Value Based Care. Value Based Care is part of the transformation taking place in healthcare communities to help rein in costs. By implementing this, we helped reduce the unexplained variation in pricing for the same services across the different facilities in Montana.

In 2017, Navitus became the State Plan’s Pharmacy Benefit Manager. Navitus allows for a full pass-through transparent pricing model that ensures the State Plan receives all rebates and reimburses pharmacies for the exact amount paid by the State Plan.

The combination of all cost-saving actions implemented have allowed the State Plan to minimize the financial impact to State Plan members, including Retirees, over the past few years. However, due to larger than anticipated claims (volume and cost), the State Plan must increase rates. The increase for 2019, in most cases, is less than double digits and is lower than the market’s current medical trend (see 2019 Retiree Benefit Costs for full details). Benefit changes were minimized for 2019, resulting in no change to member deductibles, benefit percentages, office visit/urgent care co-payments, or out-of-pocket maximums.

During 2019, the Department will continue its efforts to control costs and manage the State Plan. We will continue working with Montana hospitals and other partners to address the rising costs of health care.

The Health Care & Benefits Division will be implementing a new benefits administration and enrollment system through a partnership with Businessolver. I encourage you to use Businessolver for Open Enrollment this year and watch for additional information on how the new system can serve as a tool for you in 2019.

The Open Enrollment Booklet contains important information about the State Plan for 2019, review carefully and contact HCBD at (800) 287-8266, (406) 444-7462, TTY (406) 444-1421, or email benefitsquestions@mt.gov with questions.

Yours in good health,

John Lewis, Director
Department of Administration
# 2019 Retiree Benefit Costs

## Non-Medicare (Under 65) Retiree Medical Plan Rates

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## Retiree Dental and Vision Hardware Plan Rates

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## Basic Life Insurance

Non-Medicare (Under-65) Retirees must also pay $1.90/month for Basic Life Insurance Coverage.
2019 BENEFIT CHANGES - GOOD NEWS!
There are no changes to member deductibles, benefit percentages, office visit/urgent care co-payments or out-of-pocket maximums.

TRAININGS
Retiree presentations were conducted in early October. If you were unable to attend a live presentation, a recorded webcast is available at www.benefits.mt.gov/openenrollment for you to view anytime.

OPEN ENROLLMENT
Open Enrollment is your opportunity to make changes to your State Plan coverage. During this year’s Open Enrollment Period, you can add/remove a spouse or domestic partner and/or add/remove a dependent child/ren under age 26. Be aware, you are required to submit verification of eligibility documentation to HCBD in order for the added dependent to be enrolled on State Plan benefits effective January 1, 2019.

If you have questions about the system, or prefer to complete your Open Enrollment election via paper, contact HCBD (800) 287-8266, (406) 444-7462, TTY (406) 444-1421, or via email benefitsquestions@mt.gov.

LOOKING FOR MORE INFO ON YOUR BENEFITS?
www.benefits.mt.gov  |  (800) 287-8266
Hearing Impaired TTY (406) 444-1421
» Retiree Presentation Schedule
» Recorded Presentation
» Wrap Plan Document (WPD) - Full Benefit Details
» Additional Live Life Well Incentive Information
» Alternative Enrollment Options
COMPLETING YOUR 2019 OPEN ENROLLMENT
Big Changes are happening for this year's Open Enrollment! HCBD has implemented a new benefits administration and enrollment system, Businessolver. The new system allows you to complete your Open Enrollment elections on-line or on a mobile device in an easy to use format. We encourage you to try it out!

OPEN ENROLLMENT ALTERNATIVE
If you do not have access to the internet or a mobile device, you can ask for an alternative for completing your Open Enrollment elections. Contact HCBD for additional information.

*If you do not need to make changes to your current benefit elections, and do not need to elect or re-elect the Vision Hardware Plan you do not need to complete your Open Enrollment elections.*
how to complete your 2019 open enrollment

If you do not need to make changes to your current benefit elections, and do not need to elect or re-elect the Vision Hardware Plan, you do not need to complete Open Enrollment elections.

1. TO ACCESS

   the new benefits system, go to benefits.mt.gov.
   Click on the picture

2. OPENING SCREEN

   If you are a first-time user, click on ‘Register’ to set up your user name, password and security questions. Our ‘Company Key’ is stateofmontana and will already be filled in (note: it’s case sensitive).
how to complete your 2019 open enrollment

3 BEGIN ENROLLMENT

Click ‘Start Here’ and follow the instructions to re-enroll in your benefits or waive coverage. You must make your elections by the deadline shown on the calendar, if you wish to make changes to your current elections or enroll in the Vision Hardware Plan.
The State Plan offers the incentive program to all plan members and their enrolled spouse/domestic partner. If you think you may be unable to meet a standard of the incentive program, you may qualify for an alternative program or different means to earn the incentive. You must contact the Health Care & Benefits Division (HCBD) as soon as possible at 800-287-8266 or email livelifewell@mt.gov. We will work with you (and if you wish, your doctor) to design a program with the same incentive that is right for you.

We will maintain the privacy of your personally identifiable health information. Medical information that personally identifies you and that is provided through the incentive program will not be used to make decisions regarding your employment. Your health information shall only be disclosed to carry out specific activities related to the incentive program (such as responding to your request for a reasonable accommodation). You will not be asked or required to waive the confidentiality of your health information to participate or to receive an incentive. Anyone who receives your information for purposes of providing you services through the incentive program will abide by the same confidentiality requirements.

We securely maintain all electronically stored medical information we obtain through the incentive program, and will take appropriate precautions to avoid a data breach. If a data breach does occur involving information you provided to us for the incentive program, we will notify you immediately.

A copy of the Plan’s privacy notice is available on the HCBD website or by going to http://benefits.mt.gov/Portals/59/Documents/hipaa%20notice.pdf.
MEDICARE ENROLLMENT
As of January 1, 2017, if a Retiree or a Retiree’s spouse/domestic partner/child become Medicare eligible, the Retiree or the Retiree’s spouse/domestic partner/child must enroll in both Medicare Part A and Medicare Part B as of the first of the month of eligibility. Proof of Medicare enrollment will be required by HCBD. Enrollment in any Medicare Part D (drug plan), besides the Navitus Medicare Rx Prescription Drug Plan (PDP), is not permitted and would result in termination of all State Plan benefits.

OPTION TO TERMINATE BENEFITS - RETREAT RIGHTS
You may find it beneficial to consider switching from the State Plan to another health insurance plan available on the Health Insurance Marketplace (under 65) or a Medicare Supplement or Advantage Plan (over 65). You will need to be aware that as of January 1, 2017, the State Plan eliminated Retreat Rights, so if you elect to terminate your State Plan coverage you will not have an opportunity to re-enroll.

RETAIL PHARMACY FILL - REMINDER
Did you know you can now get up to a 90 day supply of medication from your retail pharmacy for two copays? This same benefit is available to you when utilizing the State Plan Mail Order Pharmacies: COSTCO Mail Order Pharmacy, MiRx Mail Order Pharmacy, or Ridgeway Mail Order Pharmacy. Contact Navitus for additional details.

SURVIVOR BENEFITS
Please be aware, surviving spouses and dependent children of retirees that pass away may only remain covered by the State Plan until the spouse or dependent is eligible for Medicare or another group health plan.
Language Assistance – General Taglines

State of Montana is required by federal law to provide the following information.

ATTENTION: If you speak English, language assistance services, free of charge, are available to you. Call 1-855-999-1062 (TTY: 1-855-999-1063).


注意事項：日本語を話される場合、無料の言語支援をご利用いただけます。1-855-999-1062 (TTY: 1-855-999-1063) まで、お電話にてご連絡ください。


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State of Montana does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, sex, pregnancy, childbirth or medical conditions related to pregnancy or childbirth, political or religious affiliation or ideas, culture, creed, social origin or condition, genetic information, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin, ancestry, age, disability, military service or veteran status or marital status. State of Montana provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as: qualified sign language interpreters and written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats). State of Montana provides free language services to people whose primary language is not English such as: qualified interpreters and information written in other languages.

If you need these services, contact customer service at 855-999-1062. If you believe that State of Montana has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, sex, pregnancy, childbirth or medical conditions related to pregnancy or childbirth, political or religious affiliation or ideas, culture, creed, social origin or condition, genetic information, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin, ancestry, age, disability, military service or veteran status or marital status you can file a grievance. If you need help filing a grievance, John Pavao, State Diversity Coordinator, is available to help you. You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax, or email:

John Pavao, State Diversity Program Coordinator
Department of Administration
State Human Resources Division
125 N. Roberts
P.O. Box 200127
Helena, MT 59620
Phone: (406) 444-3984
Email: jpavao@mt.gov

You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf, or by mail or phone at:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
200 Independence Avenue, SW
Room 509F, HHH Building
Washington, D.C. 20201
1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)