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Subject: 2017 mail order for state employees - OPT OUT

State employees will have a new benefit design beginning January 1. There may be other groups of municipal employees similarly affected. They do not have to go to mail order or CVS for 90-day supplies of maintenance medications. The good news is that state employees can opt to continue receiving services at your pharmacy. The opt out can be exercised after the New Year starts. See below, which is copied from the letter to state employees. Keep the telephone number handy:

800-307-5432.

Starting January 1, 2017, you can continue to receive coverage for 30-day supplies of maintenance medications at any network pharmacy as long as you call us at 1-800-307-5432 to opt out of the Maintenance Choice program. Please note that you will only be able to opt out of Maintenance Choice AFTER January 1, 2017. If you opt out, you will not enjoy the savings of 90-day supplies.

After January 1, 2017, when you initially fill a 30-day maintenance drug prescription at any network pharmacy (including a CVS Pharmacy location), you will receive a letter notifying you of the opportunity to opt-out. Thereafter, if you continue ordering 30-day supplies of maintenance medications without calling us to opt-out of the Maintenance Choice program, you will pay the full retail cost of your maintenance prescriptions.