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# RBG Tip Sheet

## Carrier Updates 10.25.16

### ANTHEM BLUE CROSS

#### Easy Renew

- **2017 Documents now available on Easy Renew:** Our 2017 Small Group Guide, along with other helpful 2017 materials, can be found on [Easy Renew](#). We are also working to upload these materials to Producer Toolbox, and to CustomPoint to make them available for ordering.

### BLUE SHIELD

#### Producer Alert

- **CVS - Pharmacy Management Program & Mail Order Change:** Starting January 1, 2017 for new and current members, CVS Health will manage Blue Shield's national retail pharmacy network, and become our exclusive mail order pharmacy for Commercial and Medicare plans and our specialty pharmacy for Commercial plans. The Blue Shield network retail pharmacies will be nearly unchanged and will continue to include all key chains such as CVS, Walgreens, Rite-Aid, Costco and many others. Members currently using the mail order service can expect to receive notification 60 days in advance of the changes by mail and telephone.

#### PCA Instructions and Form

- **Prior Carrier Accumulation - Deductible Credit:** For new groups with prior group coverage moving to Blue Shield of CA, members can complete the attached form to request credit for their prior medical deductible. Members must complete the form and submit a copy of their most recent Explanation of Benefits (EOB). Credit can be given for members going from PPO to PPO (H.S.A. to H.S.A.) or HMO to HMO. We do not give credit for members moving from HMO to PPO or PPO to HMO. Credit for separate pharmacy deductible is not given. Credit for Maximum Out of Pocket met is not given. Refer to the [Blue Shield of CA Evidence of Coverage \(EOC\)](#) for additional details.

### CHOICE BUILDER

#### Broker Announcement

- **Ameritas Voluntary PPO - Takeover on Major Wait:** New groups effective 11/1/16 electing Ameritas Voluntary PPO with 10 or more enrolling and have had their prior plan for 12 months or more are eligible to have the 6-month wait on major services waived for all enrolling. View the notice.
- **New - Anthem Blue Cross PPO Dental:** Effective 12/1/16 effective dates, Choice Builder is now offering Anthem Blue Cross PPO dental - Platinum, Gold and Silver/Voluntary options. View the announcement for more details.

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