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RBG Tip Sheet

Carrier Updates 10.31.16

ANTHEM BLUE CROSS

- [LiveHealth Online](#): Currently available on all PPO plans. Available to new HMO contracts effective 1/1/17 or to existing HMO groups upon renewal. LiveHealth includes 24/7 online physician consultations and psychology consultations 7 a.m. to 11 p.m., 7 days week.

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Producer Alert

- Sutter Health Negotiations – Current contract expires 12/31/16. Negotiations are under way to try to renew for a 1/1/17 contract.

Broker Update

- MLR Rebates
- First Month Rate Flexibility
- BSC & CVS
- Census Tool – Employer Connection Plus Report is back!
- Trio Digital Campaign
- No HMO for out of state – Employer Connection Plus Error
- Relaxed Participation – Extended (updated notice coming soon, new extension through 3/31/17)
- 4th quarter flexibility – Cut-off dates are Nov 7th by noon and Dec 7th by noon (RBG must receive submission with enough time to review prior to submitting to BSC)
- Web launch online user tool – new tools
- ACA-26 rule
- Seeing HMO Specialist – self refer for a consultation (not services)
- Expanding Specialty Benefits- increased PPO network, Rollover Rewards, 2-year life guarantee for new groups

CALIFORNIA CHOICE

- [Sutter Health Plus Network Map](#): View the map and the [Bay Area Provider Directory](#) (directories change frequently, always remind participants to verify a provider is contracted before receiving services).

WAGeworks

- [List of Annual Limits](#): The IRS has released some of its 2017 limits, a few are still pending. View the list.

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