

RBG Tip Sheet Carrier Updates 7.11.2016

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Producer News (view the full newsletter)

- Q4 Rate Reduction: .4% average rate reduction. In certain regions, the decrease averages more than 5% on both HMO and PPO plans (rate actions will vary by region, network and other dynamics). Rate release expected by 7/15.
- 7/1/16 Small Group Guide: The 2016 Small Group Guide has been revised to reflect midyear changes to our product portfolio (effective 7/1/16). <u>Download the guide</u>. A few of the portfolio enhancements include: 1 new full network PPO Platinum Pan and 1 new full network HMO Platinum Plan. 4 new plan offerings within the PPO Gold metallic tier option that provide lower deductibles. 4 new plan offerings within the PPO Silver metallic tier option that provide lower deductibles.
- New Reinstatement Requirements Effective 7/1/16: Small Groups that cancel due to nonpayment and reinstate without a break in coverage will be required to set up recurring monthly payments to prevent future cancellations.
- **Dental Rate Reduction Effective 9/1/16:** Anthem's lower Dental Complete rates go live on July 1, 2016 for September 1, 2016 effective dates.
- **Josie's Story**: Learn how Anthem Case Managers offer support when diagnosed with a life threatening disease.
- Disability Coverage available Effective 6/1/16 Groups (10-50 EE's): Beginning with June 1, 2016 effective dates, short-term and long-term disability are now available on the Small Group Quoting Tool (SGQT).

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• 2017 Pulse Broker Guide: View the new interactive PDF. Download a copy today!

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New Group Application Effective 7/1/2016: KP Small Business has an updated version of the New Group Application. Until further notice, KP will accept the January 2016 and the July 2016 versions concurrently. Please be sure to check the Forms Validation Matrix if you are in doubt or you believe you have an old form. Remember, only forms listed on the Forms Validation Matrix without an expired date are valid.

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