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RBG Tip Sheet Carrier Updates 1.17.17

ANTHEM BLUE CROSS

- **Second Quarter Rates Available for Quoting:** Rate pass for both PPO and HMO. For renewing groups, the average net rate effect for all regions combined will be 1.1% increase for PPO and on average a decrease of -3.0% for HMO.

BLUE SHIELD OF CA

[Producer Alert](#)

- **Merger - New Comprehensive Health Info Exchange:** The California Integrated Data Exchange (Cal INDEX, founded by Blue Shield of California and Anthem Blue Cross) and Inland Empire Health Information Exchange (IEHIE) today announced a planned merger that will create one of the nation's most comprehensive nonprofit health information exchanges (HIEs). HIEs help improve the quality of the patient experience, support collaboration and coordination and improve efficiencies. HEIs will also make it easier for doctors, hospitals and other care providers to securely review, analyze and share medical information across the health care system.

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- **Second Quarter Rates Available for Quoting:** Rates for Q2 effective dates are available for quoting and downloading. PPO will experience a 0.8% across all regions. HMO will experience 4.3% increase across all regions.
- **April Renewals:** Kits are available for downloading on 1/13/17. Member level changes can be submitted through Employer Connection Plus starting 1/18/17. Printed renewal kits will be mailed out on 1/20/17.

CHOICE BUILDER

[New Carrier](#)

- **MetLife:** If your new and renewing groups are considering Dental for 4/1/17 (or later), they now have a new option, Choice Builder. MetLife is joining Choice Builder with three Employer-sponsored Dental PPO
- plans and one Voluntary Dental PPO plan. [View the Delta Dental and MetLife comparison.](#)

UNITED HEALTHCARE

- **Second Quarter Rates Available for quoting:** Great news, UHC CA Small Group 1-100 will be having a Rate Pass Q2 2017.

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