



## Special Insurance Edition

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### Annual FY17 Benefit Choice Period: May 1 - May 31, 2016

The annual benefit choice period will be May 1-31. During this time, you have the opportunity to make changes to your existing benefit plans. Changes will be effective July 1, 2016.

#### If you're changing your benefits

Submit the enclosed FY2017 Benefits Election Form to our office by the end of business **May 31, 2016**.

#### Not changing your current benefits?

**Then you're finished with your enrollment this year!**

### FY17 benefits remain the same during contract negotiations

The following will remain the same until contract negotiations are final:

- Dependent premiums
- Life insurance rates
- Dental rates
- Plan design

Once the contract is settled, members will receive information about changes and a second benefit choice period.

*Members with less than 20 years of service will experience a change in premiums effective July 1, 2016. The contribution rate sheet will be sent in May.*

### Mailings and information

In addition to this newsletter and the FY2017 Benefit Choice Elections Form, you will receive the "A Message to Plan Members" mailer from CMS.

This mailer is directed to all members and contains the key changes and information you need to know for the benefit choice election period, including the service area map.

### Total Retiree Advantage Illinois (TRAIL) Medicare Advantage program

Retirees and survivors enrolled in Medicare Parts A and B that meet **all** the criteria for enrollment in the Medicare Advantage Program will be required to choose a Medicare Advantage plan, or may opt out of all State coverage (which includes health, behavioral health, prescription and vision coverage) in the fall of this year with an effective date of Jan. 1, 2017.

For more details, visit [cms.illinois.gov/thetrail](http://cms.illinois.gov/thetrail).

### Check out our Member Services website

Be sure to report changes in phone number, email address, etc. on the Member Services website at [memberservices.srs.illinois.gov](http://memberservices.srs.illinois.gov) so we can keep you up to date on current news.

Once you sign in, click on "Demographics" on the left side of the page to access your information.



## Contact information

Plan Administrators	Toll-Free Phone Number	TDD/TTY Number	Website
BlueAdvantage HMO	800-868-9520	866-876-2194	bcbsil.com/stateofillinois
Coventry Health Care HMO	800-431-1211	217-366-5551	chcillinois.com
Coventry Health Care OAP	800-431-1211	217-366-5551	chcillinois.com
Health Alliance HMO	800-851-3379	800-526-0844	healthalliance.org/stateofillinois
HealthLink OAP	800-624-2356	800-624-2356, x6280	healthlink.com/illinois_index.asp
HMO Illinois	800-868-9520	866-876-2194	bcbsil.com/stateofillinois
Quality Care Health Plan – Cigna	800-962-0051	800-526-0844	cigna.com/stateofil
Eyemed	866-723-0512	800-526-0844	eyemedvisioncare.com/stil
Delta Dental	800-323-1743	800-526-0844	soi.deltadentalil.com
Minnesota Life	888-202-5525	800-526-0844	web1.lifebenefits.com/

## Questions? Contact your SERS Group Insurance Representative

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### Moved recently?

Be sure to keep your address current so you don't miss important information about benefits, announcements, etc.

- Visit [srs.illinois.gov](http://srs.illinois.gov)
- Click on "Forms" on the left-side of the page
- Fill out Form 501 Change of Address
- Mail to our office

### Experienced a life change?

Did you get married – or maybe divorced? Lost a loved one? It might be time to update your beneficiaries on file.