

EPIC E-MAIL MESSAGE – September 16, 2015

TO: Certifying Officers of Employing Locations which Participate in the State Health Benefits Program (SHBP)

FROM: The New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits, Health Benefits Bureau

SUBJECT: SHBP Open Enrollment Health Benefits Training – Important Plan Changes for Plan Year 2016

The Division of Pensions and Benefits is presenting **employer training Webinars** for the State Health Benefits Program Annual Open Enrollment.

Of particular note for the 2016 plan year are **new plan choices for participants in the SHBP**. New SHBP plans **with lower monthly premiums** will replace the Aetna and Horizon HMO's 1525, 2030, and 2035; SHBP members will have a choice of providers in new Tiered Network Plans and will pay less if enrolled with Tier 1 providers; and other changes are coming for copayments and out-of-pocket costs for SHBP covered services such as emergency room visits and chiropractic and acupuncture visit.

The Webinars are tailored to your benefits program and employer type. Please be certain to enroll in the webinar appropriate to your employees' coverage.

- **SHBP for State Employers – Monday, September 28, 2015, 10:00 a.m.**
- **SHBP for Local Government Employers – Wednesday, September 30, 2015, 10:00 a.m.**

We encourage all employers to participate in these informative Webinars to keep apprised of the changes coming in 2016.

REGISTER FOR TRAINING

Register online at: <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/training-intro.shtml#hb> or visit our Web site at: <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/> and click on "Employer Training Sessions." Links on our Employer Training page will take you to the secure GoToWebinar portal where you can register for the Webinar.

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