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Benefits Coordinator
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DATE: March 27, 2023
TO: All Town/School Retirees
FROM: Erin McGee,
Benefits Coordinator
RE: **Open Enrollment for Medical Insurance**

Open Enrollment - April 17, 2023 – May 12, 2023

OPEN ENROLLMENT:

Open Enrollment occurs during the month of April and is your annual opportunity to add or change medical and/or dental (if applicable). The only other opportunity you have to make changes is when you experience a qualifying life event such as a birth or adoption of a child, marriage, divorce, loss of coverage, etc. If you are currently enrolled on a plan listed and do not want to make any changes, you do **not** need to take any action.

MEDICAL INSURANCE

The town offers **FOUR** medical insurance plans to choose from: **HMO Network Blue NE \$100 Deductible; HMO Network Blue NE \$500 Deductible; Blue Care Elect PPO \$500 Deductible** and our newer low cost plan, **HMO Blue Select Benchmark \$500**. Our medical insurance rates have increased by 7.40%. Please find our monthly rates enclosed. The summary of benefits for all of the above mentioned plans are available on the Town's website:

<https://www.walpole-ma.gov/human-resources/pages/benefit-information>

The effective date for these plans will be **July 1, 2023**

Good Health Gateway Diabetic Care Rewards Program:

The Good Health Gateway program engages supports and rewards members for health behaviors based upon established clinical guidelines for managing diabetes. Members who adhere to all diabetes care activities receive **all** of their diabetes medications and supplies for **free**, without the need to make any co-pays. If you or your family member has been diagnosed with pre-diabetes or diabetes AND you are currently enrolled on our health insurance then please look into this program which is at no cost to you to participate. For additional information please go to their website at www.GoodHealthGateway.com or call 1-800-643-8028.

Please do not hesitate to contact Erin McGee, Benefits Coordinator at emcgee@walpole-ma.gov or (508)660-7294 if you have any questions regarding these plans. Thank you.

If you are currently enrolled in the Town's health insurance plan and do not wish to make any changes, no action is required.

If you would prefer to be contacted via email regarding Open Enrollment & other insurance information, please provide your email address to Erin McGee: emcgee@walpole-ma.gov