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TO: PEBB Participating School Districts and Employer Groups

(Political Subdivisions & Tribal Governments)

FROM: Steve Norsen, Manager

PEBB Outreach & Training Team

SUBJECT: 2010 Rates – Tiered - Full Benefits Package

We have completed the procurement cycle which resulted in an increase in premiums for our employees and early retirees. Medical inflation and plan design changes (deductibles, co-pays, and co-insurance) resulted in a 0.2 percent average increase in our non-Medicare premiums and 3.4 average decrease in our Medicare premiums.

Exhibit 1 is the revised rate sheet (effective January 1, 2010) for school districts and employer groups accepting the full benefits package.

Employee optional life and long term disability (LTD) insurance rates did not change and will remain the same for 2010. The rate schedule for life and LTD insurance is enclosed as Exhibit 2 and 3.

If you have an IRS Section 125 Plan that allows employee premium dollars to be treated as a pre-tax deduction, note that if an employee's non-tax qualified dependents do <u>not</u> qualify as IRS dependents, a portion of the premium employers pay toward the family's coverage is considered taxable income to the employee. To assist you, we have included examples of how the state calculates these amounts for state agency personnel. [Tables 1-7] These tables should <u>only be used as a template</u> in developing calculations that are based on your employer contribution rate.

This year, Open Enrollment will run from October 26 – November 30, 2009. In early October, the Public Employees Benefits Board (PEBB) program will publish the *For Your Benefit* newsletter to all employees. This newsletter is the employees' only printed open enrollment information. However, information will also be available on the PEBB web site at www.pebb.hca.wa.gov prior to the start of open enrollment.

Employees who make an online plan change using E-Coverage will <u>not</u> see a premium rate. Instead, a pop-up box will prompt them to contact their personnel or payroll office for premium information. To support their decisions, you will want to distribute 2010 monthly premiums for your own employees before open enrollment, so they can have those available when making a plan selection.

If you have questions about the rates, please contact me at (360) 412-4201 or steve.norsen@hca.wa.gov.

Enclosures

c: Kim Grindrod

K-12 and Employer Groups (Political Subdivisions and Tribal Governments) Active Tiered Rates for Full Benefits Package

2010 PEBB Bid Rates

Plan Name	Subscriber		Subscriber and Spouse		Subscriber d Child(ren)	F	ull Family
Aetna Public Employee Plan	\$ 655.46	\$	1,180.46	\$	1,049.21	\$	1,574.21
Group Health Classic	\$ 594.75	\$	1,059.04	\$	942.97	\$	1,407.26
Group Health Value	\$ 545.46	\$	960.46	\$	856.71	\$	1,271.71
Kaiser Permanente Classic	\$ 595.53	\$	1,060.60	\$	944.33	\$	1,409.40
Kaiser Permanente Value	\$ 565.10	\$	999.74	\$	891.08	\$	1,325.72
Uniform Medical Plan PPO	\$ 564.22	\$	997.98	\$	889.54	\$	1,323.30
Medical Waived	\$ 130.46	\$	130.46	\$	130.46	\$	130.46

PEBB Life and AD&D Rates Paid to Plan and Charged to Subscribers

Pub No. Plan A Basic for Actives*: Monthly Cost: \$ 5.07 50-135F Plan A Basic for Retirees: Monthly Cost: 2.19 51-275R, 51-403-F 0.50 Plan B Basic (Dependents): Monthly Cost:

Plan B Supplementa	Plan B Supplemental,										
Plans C (Optional) a	nd D (Supplen	nental):									
Monthly Cost for Each \$1,000 of Coverage											
Age		Non-Smoker	Smoker								
<25	\$	0.028	\$0.036								
25-29	\$	0.030	\$0.044								
30-34	\$	0.034	\$0.058								
35-39	\$	0.042	\$0.066								
40-44	\$	0.064	\$0.074								
45-49	\$	0.092	\$0.112								
50-54	\$	0.144	\$0.170								
55-59	\$	0.268	\$0.318								
60-64	\$	0.412	\$0.484								
65-69	\$	0.760	\$0.932								
70+	\$	1.134	\$1.514								

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Plan E Life (Vol	luntary AD&D):											
				Employee &								
Employee		Employee Onl	y D	ependent(s)		Spouse	Cov	erage		Per Child C	Cove	erage
Coverage		Cos	t	Cost	١	No Children	W	ith Children	W	ith Spouse	No	Spouse
\$	25,000	\$ 0.20	\$	0.30	\$	12,500	\$	10,000	\$	1,250	\$	2,500
\$	50,000	\$ 0.40	\$	0.60	\$	25,000	\$	20,000	\$	2,500	\$	5,000
\$	75,000	\$ 0.60	\$	0.90	\$	37,500	\$	30,000	\$	3,750	\$	7,500
\$	100,000	\$ 0.80	\$	1.20	\$	50,000	\$	40,000	\$	5,000	\$	10,000
\$	125,000	\$ 1.00	\$	1.50	\$	62,500	\$	50,000	\$	6,250	\$	12,500
\$	150,000	\$ 1.20	\$	1.80	\$	75,000	\$	60,000	\$	7,500	\$	15,000
\$	175,000	\$ 1.40	\$	2.10	\$	87,500	\$	70,000	\$	8,750	\$	17,500
\$	200,000	\$ 1.60	\$	2.40	\$	100,000	\$	80,000	\$	10,000	\$	20,000
\$	225,000	\$ 1.80	\$	2.70	\$	112,500	\$	90,000	\$	11,250	\$	22,500
\$	250,000	\$ 2.00	\$	3.00	\$	125,000	\$	100,000	\$	12,500	\$	25,000

* Represents premium paid to the Plan only.
For State Actives, Plan A Basic coverage is funded by the state.

For Actives from Employer Groups, ESDs, and K-12 Districts Accepting the Full Benefits Package,

the premium for Plan A Basic coverage is included in the rates for the selected medical plan.

Coverage is not provided to Actives from K-12 Districts Accepting Medical Only Package.

PEBB 2010 LONG TERM DISABILITY PLAN

Rates Paid to Plan and Charged to Subscribers

Basic Plan for Actives	Monthly Cost*:	\$	2.00
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Optional Plan		
Waiting Period	TIAA/CREF or Higher Education Academic Retirement Plan Employees	TRS, PERS, & other Retirement Plan Employees
30 days	2.48%	1.96%
60 days	1.26%	1.04%
90 days	0.69%	0.57%
120 days	0.40%	0.34%
180 days	0.30%	0.27%
240 days	0.29%	0.26%
300 days	0.27%	0.24%
360 days	0.26%	0.23%

^{*} Represents premium paid to plan only.

For State Actives, Basic Plan coverage is funded by the state.

PEBB Program for 2010

Additional Taxable Income for Non-Tax Qualified Dependents

Table 1: Employer Share Medical and Dental

2010 Monthly State Premium Contribution for Medical and Dental for Active Employees

Additional Taxable Income for Non-Tax Qualified Dependent Coverage

		S	ubscriber's or		
			Partner's	Pa	rtner and
MEDICAL AND DENTAL PLAN	Partner*		Child(ren)*	CI	hild(ren)*
All Medical Plans	\$ 428	\$	340	\$	768

Table 2: Employer Share Dental Only

Sample chart for dental only enrollment-taxable amount for dependents

		S	ubscriber's or Partner's	Pa	rtner and
DENTAL PLAN	Partner*		Child(ren)*	C	hild(ren)*
All Dental Plans	\$ 45	\$	45	\$	90

2010 Monthly State Contribution for Medicare Retirees (monthly state subsidy)** Additional taxable income for non-tax qualified domestic partners

Aetna Public Employee Plan	\$ 183
GHC Classic	\$ 126
GHC Value	\$ 118
Kaiser Classic	\$ 160
Kaiser Value	\$ 129
Secure Horizons Classic	\$ 183
Secure Horizons Value	\$ 121
Uniform Medical Plan PPO	\$ 156
Plan E Retired	\$ 66
Plan E Disabled	\$ 112
Plan J Retired without Rx	\$ 96
Plan J Disabled without Rx	\$ 162
Plan J Retired with Rx	\$ 135
Plan J Disabled with Rx	\$ 183

^{*}Premiums displayed are rounded to the nearest dollar, consistent with IRS tax reporting

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^{**}Retiree subsidy is limited to 50% of the total premium paid to the health plan by state law

State and Higher Education Active Employee Monthly Contributions (Deductions) For Non-Tax Qualified Domestic Dependents Final 2010 PEBB Rates-HCA Finance and Administration

Table 3: Total Monthly Employee Contribution Owed for All Coverage (Pre-tax and post-tax combined)

				Subscriber	Subscriber			
Plan Name	5	Subscriber	á	and Spouse	а	nd Child(ren)		Full Family
Aetna Public Employee Plan	\$	132	\$	274	\$	231	\$	373
GHC Classic	\$	71	\$	152	\$	124	\$	205
GHC Value	\$	22	\$	54	\$	39	\$	71
Kaiser Classic	\$	72	\$	154	\$	126	\$	208
Kaiser Value	\$	42	\$	94	\$	74	\$	126
Uniform Medical Plan PPO	\$	41	\$	92	\$	72	\$	123

Table 4: Post-Tax Partner Share for "Subscriber and Spouse" Tier

Plan Name	 Subscriber and Spouse		Subscriber		Partner
Aetna Public Employee Plan	\$ 274	\$	132	\$	142
GHC Classic	\$ 152	\$	71	\$	81
GHC Value	\$ 54	\$	22	\$	32
Kaiser Classic	\$ 154	\$	72	\$	82
Kaiser Value	\$ 94	\$	42	\$	52
Uniform Medical Plan PPO	\$ 92	\$	41	\$	51

Table 5: Post Tax Partner Share for "Full Family" Tier

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		Subscriber and			
Plan Name	Fι	ıll Family		Child(ren)	Partner
Aetna Public Employee Plan	\$	373	\$	231	\$ 142
GHC Classic	\$	205	\$	124	\$ 81
GHC Value	\$	71	\$	39	\$ 32
Kaiser Classic	\$	208	\$	126	\$ 82
Kaiser Value	\$	126	\$	74	\$ 52
Uniform Medical Plan PPO	\$	123	\$	72	\$ 51

Table 6: Post Tax Partner and Child(ren) Share for "Full Family" Tier

Plan Name	Full Family Subscriber		Partner and Child(ren)	b	
Aetna Public Employee Plan	\$	373	\$ 132	\$	241
GHC Classic	\$	205	\$ 71	\$	134
GHC Value	\$	71	\$ 22	\$	49
Kaiser Classic	\$	208	\$ 72	\$	136
Kaiser Value	\$	126	\$ 42	\$	84
Uniform Medical Plan PPO	\$	123	\$ 41	\$	82

Table 7: Post Tax Partner's Child(ren) Share for "Subscriber and Child(ren)" Tier

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	Subscriber				Partner's		
Plan Name	and 0	and Child(ren)		Subscriber		Children	
Aetna Public Employee Plan	\$	231	\$	132	\$	99	
GHC Classic	\$	124	\$	71	\$	53	
GHC Value	\$	39	\$	22	\$	17	
Kaiser Classic	\$	126	\$	72	\$	54	
Kaiser Value	\$	74	\$	42	\$	32	
Uniform Medical Plan PPO	\$	72	\$	41	\$	31	