

May 14, 2010

Regional meetings on new CD-HSA plan begin May 14; details also available on OGB website

OGB urges anyone who is considering enrolling in the new consumer driven (CD) health plan with a health savings account (HSA) option – known as the CD-HSA plan – to attend one of the nine special OGB regional meetings listed below, which begin May 14. The special CD-HSA regional meetings will provide details about the new health plan, with time for questions and discussion. The meeting schedule is below and also on the OGB website (**www.groupbenefits.org**) under Annual Enrollment.

The CD-HSA health plan is administered by UnitedHealthcare and features lower premiums in exchange for higher deductibles. Enrollment is limited to active employees (and re-hired retirees whose premiums are paid via payroll deduction) who are enrolled in an IRS Section 125 plan such as the premium conversion option.

Plan members who enroll in the consumer driven health plan can choose to open a health savings account (HSA) and use pre-tax dollars to make contributions to the HSA. The HSA can be used to pay eligible medical and pharmacy expenses for you and your family until you meet your deductible for the plan year. It can also help you save for future health care expenses.

More information about Annual Enrollment and the CD-HSA health plan is accessible by clicking the Annual Enrollment link on the home page of OGB's website (**www.groupbenefits.org**).

Friday, May 14

3:00 PM LA State Exhibit Museum Auditorium 3015 Greenwood Rd Shreveport 71109 (park on Pershing Blvd. baseball stadium lot)

Tuesday, May 18

10:00 AM Jefferson Parish East Bank Library Meeting Rooms A and B 4747 W. Napoleon Ave. Metairie 70001

Tuesday, May 18

10:00 AM McNeese State University Student Union - Parra Ballroom 4300 Jefferson Davis Dr. Lake Charles 70605

Wednesday, May 19

9:30 AM Terrebonne Parish Main Library 151 Library Dr. Houma 70360

Wednesday, May 19

1:00 PM LaQuinta Inn & Suites Covington Conference Room, 1st Floor 200 Pinnacle Pkwy. Covington 70433

Wednesday, May 19

4:00 PM Main Street Community Center 708 Main Street Pineville 71360

<u>Thursday, May 20</u>

9:00 AM Dept. of Public Safety Training Academy Auditorium 7901 Independence Blvd. Baton Rouge 70806

Thursday, May 20

10:00 AM Clifton Chenier Community Center 220 W. Willow St. Town Hall, Bldg. C Auditorium Lafayette 70502

Thursday, May 20

4:00 PM West Monroe Convention Center East Conference Hall 901 Ridge Ave. West Monroe 71291