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Dear IBEW Local 25 Health & Benefit Fund Medicare Eligible Retiree and/or Spouse:

Labor First received notification from the IBEW Local 25 Health & Welfare Benefit Fund that you will soon become eligible for Medicare. As a result, we are contacting you to inform you of your new Medical and Prescription Drug Coverage under the IBEW Local 25 Health & Welfare Benefit Fund Medicare Eligible Retiree Plan. Your medical and prescription coverage will be provided by Empire MediBlue Freedom (PPO) with Senior RX Plus® (MAPD) Plan.

You will be automatically enrolled into the Empire MediBlue Freedom (PPO) with Senior RX Plus® (MAPD) Plan after you have notified IBEW Local 25 Health & Welfare Fund of your retirement and provided your Medicare number to Labor First. Failure to notify IBEW Local 25 Health & Welfare Fund and Labor First with your Medicare number may affect your coverage with the Fund.

We are excited to assist you in any way we can.

We have dedicated phone lines for our IBEW Local 25 Health & Benefit Fund members:

631-301-4347 or Toll Free (855) 460-7493 (TTY 711)

Important things to know:

- You must be enrolled into Medicare Parts A and B for Empire MediBlue Freedom (PPO) with Senior RX Plus® (MAPD) Plan to work properly.
- Remember to show the doctor and/or hospital your NEW Empire MediBlue Freedom (PPO) with Senior RX Plus® (MAPD) Plan ID card to ensure proper billing. Your claims will be automatically processed.
- The Empire MediBlue Freedom (PPO) with Senior RX Plus® (MAPD) Plan can be used anywhere Medicare is accepted; there is an In/Out open network.
- You will be receiving a Welcome Kit and ID card from Empire MediBlue Freedom (PPO) with Senior RX Plus® (MAPD) Plan in the weeks to come.
- You will be able to use almost any retail pharmacy as the Empire MediBlue Freedom (PPO) with Senior RX Plus® (MAPD) Plan has a Pharmacy Network that contains over 66,000 in-network pharmacies nationwide.
- If you use the retail pharmacy, you do not need new prescriptions. Simply show the pharmacy your new Empire MediBlue Freedom (PPO) with Senior RX Plus® (MAPD) Plan.





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- Be sure to obtain new prescriptions from your doctor if you intend to use mail order. **Your prescriptions will not be transferring to Carelon Rx Mail Order.**
- If you would like to use the mail order pharmacy, **you will need new prescriptions.** Have your doctor call new prescriptions into CarelonRx Mail Order at 1-833-409-1228.

We are required by law to give you the choice of Opting Out of the Empire MediBlue Freedom (PPO) Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug (MAPD) Plan. Please note that since you are currently enrolled in the Funds current Plan there is most likely no reason why you would not participate in the Empire MediBlue Freedom (PPO) Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug (MAPD) Plan. However, if you would like to Opt-Out, please call Labor First at (631) 301-4347 or Toll-Free (855) 460-7493 (TTY 711).

About Labor First

Labor First is responsible for implementing and managing your IBEW Local 25 Health & Welfare Benefit Fund Medicare Eligible Retiree Plan. We are a full-service Retiree Benefit Manager acting specifically for Union Members. Labor First works between the Fund and the insurance company and offers continued advocacy and support to eliminate stress for retired members. If you have any additional questions, please call a Labor First Retiree Advocate at call (631) 301-4347 or Toll Free (855) 460-7493 (TTY 711).

Enclosures:

Empire MediBlue Freedom Pre-Enrollment Kit
Authorize Representative Form
FAQ/Plan Design
Magnet

Sincerely,

Your Dedicated Member Advocacy Team

