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## Important Information About Your Local 7 Tile Industry Welfare Fund Retiree Medical and Prescription Drug Benefits

Dear Medicare-eligible Retiree and/or Dependent,

We are pleased to inform you that there will be a change to your Medical and Prescription Drug coverage provided by Local 7 Tile Industry Welfare Fund. This change is being made to address the continually increasing cost of coverage and to ensure that Medicare-eligible participants have access to comprehensive coverage at the most affordable cost.

Your dedicated team of Retiree Advocates at RetireeFirst will continue to be available to assist you with this change and provide ongoing support.

Your new Medicare Advantage with Prescription Drug (MAPD) Plan will be provided by **Anthem Medicare Preferred PPO** effective January 1, 2025.

# About Your New Plan

### **Plan Highlights**

- One ID Card for your providers and pharmacy
- \$0 copay for all Medicare approved services
- \$0 Select Generics
- Continued access to RetireeFirst Advocates for assistance with understanding and using your benefits.

#### **Important Things to Know:**

- You must be enrolled in Medicare Parts A and B to participate in the Anthem MAPD Plan.
- Put your Medicare card in a safe place in case you need it later. You will use only your Anthem ID card for Medical and Prescription Drugs.
- You can use any willing Medicare medical provider, regardless of whether the provider is in or out of the Anthem network.

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- No referrals are needed for Medicare covered medical services.
- You should continue to be able to use almost any retail pharmacy as Anthem includes over 65,000 in-network pharmacies, nationwide.
- Anthem also offers a Mail Order Pharmacy called CarelonRx for your convenience. If you would like to use the CarelonRx Mail Order Pharmacy, you will need new prescriptions.
- You do not need new prescriptions for retail pharmacies. Simply show your new ID card and your refills will be processed under the Anthem MAPD Plan.

#### **Mailings to Expect in the Coming Months:**

- Termination of Coverage Letter from Humana
- Anthem Confirmation of Enrollment Letter
- Anthem Welcome Plan Guide and ID card
- Please keep in mind each Retiree, spouse, and/or dependent may receive the above items on different days; this is normal.

We are required by law to give you the choice of opting out of the new plan. Since you are currently enrolled in the Local 7 Tile Industry Welfare Fund Medical and Prescription Drug Plan it is unlikely that you would not want to participate in the new Anthem MAPD Plan. However, you have the option to opt-out. If you opt out, you will not have Medical and Prescription Drug coverage through Local 7 Tile Industry Welfare Fund. Nevertheless, if you would like to opt-out, please call RetireeFirst Advocates at (718) 215-5090 (TTY 711) Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm EST.

Enclosed in this mailing is also a Frequently Asked Questions document to answer questions you might have now. If you have questions about any information in this letter, please do not hesitate to call RetireeFirst Advocates at (718) 215-5090 (TTY 711) Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm EST.

Sincerely,

The Board of Trustees

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