

Broker News - January 5, 2018

No Broker Webinar next week

Next Broker Webinar **1/23/18**

When: Tuesday, January 23, 2018

Time: 1-2pm EST

Webinar Link: click on — [JOIN MEETING](#)

Phone Line: 1-650-479-3208

Webinar Meeting Number/Access Code: 733 029 397

Webform Coming

In the coming months, DC Health Link will launch a webform for brokers and GAs to communicate to DCHBX any questions that they have. This new process should further streamline case review and resolution. The webform will provide drop-down menus so you can specify the issues in your case, while also providing a free form textbox for further description. When the webform is launched, we will move away from using the dchl.producer@dc.gov inbox.

Change in 2018 SHOP Dental Carrier Plan Offerings

MetLife and Delta Dental have notified the DC Health Benefit Exchange Authority of their decision to cease new sales in the Small Business market as of January 1, 2018. To mitigate confusion and gaps in coverage among enrollees, DCHBX is finalizing an outreach strategy to engage employers and employees affected by this change. Timed around a group's renewal period, this phone and email campaign will look to provide consumers with tools and ample time to make

informed decisions about their dental coverage options going forward.

Groups that decide to offer dental coverage through DC Health Link will continue to have the following products as options in Plan Year 2018: CareFirst's BlueDental Traditional (PPO) and BlueDental Preferred High (PPO), as well as Dominion's Select Plan Premium (HMO), Choice PPO Basic (PPO), and Choice PPO Premium (PPO).

Enrollment Deadlines

[Individual & Family Marketplace](#)

Open Enrollment for 2018 plans in the District of Columbia November 1, 2017 – January 31, 2018

<u>COVERAGE START DATE</u>	<u>SELECT A PLAN BY</u>
February 1, 2018	January 15, 2018
March 1, 2018	January 31, 2018

[Small Business Marketplace](#)

Initial Groups

February 1 Coverage Effective Date:

- January 10 — Last day of employee open enrollment period; invoices emailed to employers the next business day
- January 12 — Last day to pay initial premium

Renewal Groups

February 1 Coverage Effective Date:

- January 10 — Last day to complete employer renewal application
- January 13 — Last day of employee open enrollment period

Premium Payments — Continue to pay monthly invoice as received by mail and also available online in employers' accounts.

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