



CareFirst Broker Flash

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CareFirst Responds to One Medical's Notification of Termination

One Medical is seeking dramatic - egregious - increases in rates from CareFirst as well as additional mandatory charges from CareFirst members that would result in millions of dollars in additional costs to members. Such cost increases at a time when many are already struggling to pay for their healthcare are unconscionable. The sharply increased rates and fees One Medical seeks ultimately come directly out of the pockets of our members and the employer groups to which they belong and these costs have become harder and harder to bear.

The out of network status that One Medical seeks will place their service beyond the reach of many members. This will likely necessitate the need for members who use One Medical to re-establish their primary care relationships with other practices. We deeply regret this unilateral decision by One Medical. However, discussions to resolve this will continue.

Sincerely,



Brian D. Pieninck
Chief Operating Officer