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Update - HealthEquity to Acquire Further

In April, HealthEquity, Inc., the nation's largest independent health savings account (HSA) custodian, announced its intention to acquire Further, an independent company that provides administrative services for CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield (CareFirst) consumer-directed healthcare plans and incentive cards. Further anticipates the acquisition will be complete on or around November 1, 2021. Upon closing of the acquisition, MII Life Insurance, Incorporated, the current HSA custodian, will resign and HealthEquity will be appointed as the successor HSA custodian.

HSA accountholders should experience minimal change at the time of the transition (i.e., no immediate change to platform, fees, interest rates, debit cards, customer support numbers, or account log ins). Members with a CareFirst health plan will continue accessing their account through *My Account*. Members without a CareFirst health plan will continue to access their Further account through www.hellofurther.com.

Impacts to HSA cash

- Cash for non-federally insured HSA accountholders will move to an interest-bearing group annuity contract issued by Pacific Life Insurance Company.
- Cash in federally insured accounts will continue to be deposited in one or more interest-bearing accounts, including Certificate of Deposits (CDs), that are eligible for federal deposit insurance.
- As of the Effective Date, HSA interest rates will automatically adjust from time to time. The interest rate tier formulas are based on a Median Market Rate, which is the median interest rate paid by the top five HSA custodians (excluding HealthEquity) on the lowest tier of HSA cash in federally insured deposit accounts. The schedule of formulas is included in both the Custodial Resignation Letter and Cash Supplements being sent to accountholders.

Next steps

Further is sending a letter along with supplemental materials to all Further accountholders regarding the change in HSA custodian from MII Life to HealthEquity. We will keep you updated as we learn more from Further and HealthEquity, Inc.

For more information

Please refer to the FAQs below or contact your Broker representative.

Frequently Asked Questions

Who is Further being acquired by?

Further is being acquired by HealthEquity, Inc. HealthEquity, Inc. is the nation's largest independent HSA custodian and administers other complementary consumer-directed benefits, connecting health and wealth to more than 12 million Americans.

Will there be any disruption to my BlueFund accounts?

No, there will be no disruption to your accounts. Members will continue accessing their accounts as they do today and can expect to continue receiving timely payment and processing on all account transitions.

Will my contacts at Further remain the same?

Yes, your regular contacts will remain the same with no immediate changes unless otherwise notified.

When is the expected closing date of the transaction?

This transaction is targeted to close at the beginning of November.

How can I stay up to date with what is happening?

Visit the Updates and FAQs on the Further Learning Center page for the latest information <https://learn.hellofurther.com/update>.