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4th Quarter 2008 Small Group Rate Adjustment

Market: MSGR, MD Parity, 1-50 VA, 1-50 DC

Below are highlights of our 4th quarter rate actions for 2008. Rates will be updated shortly in the CareFirst rating systems and in the Wholesaler and DBE proposal systems. Note that the percentages indicated are incremental changes over the 7/1/08 rate actions.

MSGR (Medical and RX):

- BlueChoice products (including CDH) increased average of 4.4%
- BluePreferred products (including CDH) increased average of 1.8%
- PPN and MPOS increased by 2.0%
- Standard Group Over 65 – no increase

VA 1-50 (Medical and RX):

- BlueChoice products (including CDH) increased by 0.1%
- BluePreferred products (including CDH) increased by 3.8%
- CapitalCare increased by 4.0%
- **Note:** We are no longer providing Virginia Essential & Standard quote alternatives in renewal packages.

DC 1-50 (Medical and RX):

- BlueChoice products (including CDH) increased by 0.1%
- BluePreferred products (including CDH) increased by 3.6%

1-50 Dental and Vision (MSGR/VA/DC):

- No increase

MD Parity (Medical and RX):

- BlueChoice products (including CDH) increased average of 3.0%
- BluePreferred products (including CDH) increased average of 3.0%
- No change to Vision

MD Parity Regional Dental:

- No change except for the following:
 - Regional Indemnity Option 2 decreased by 10.7%
 - Regional PPO Option 2 decreased by 8.7%

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