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DUTCHESS BOCES Human Resources
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MAY 2017

What's Ahead...
Important Information Regarding
Empire BlueCross BlueShield

Health Insurance Open Enrollment

Please be reminded that the month of May is the Open Enrollment period and you can enroll or change your health plan options. All applications must reach the Benefits Office at the Administration Building on or before May 31, 2017. Any changes will take effect July 1, 2017.

If you intend to take the buyout this year, you must renew your application by May 31, 2017.

The Open Enrollment meeting, where representatives from the insurance companies will be available to answer your questions, is scheduled for **Tuesday, May 16, 2017 from 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm** at the Salt Point Center. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend if you have any questions about your health insurance.

If you wish to keep your current coverage, you do not need to do anything. Your existing health insurance will automatically roll over into the new school year with only a rate adjustment.

If you have any questions please contact:

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Just a reminder...

There is still time to send nominations for the Annual Employee Recognition Awards. Help celebrate and recognize our colleagues!

MAY Dental Carrier Change

All Employees Enrolled in Fitzharris Dental

We are pleased to advise you that we are transferring our dental plan (ONLY) to Ameritas Life Insurance

Corp. **effective June 1, 2017. There will be no change to your current level of dental benefits.**

Please continue to mail dental claims incurred **PRIOR to June 1, 2017** to Brown & Brown of New York Inc. d/b/a Fitzharris & Company. Fitzharris will continue to process claims for dates of service prior to June 1, 2017, however, **ALL claims must be submitted to them by July 31, 2017. Claims received on or after August 1, 2017 will not be processed regardless of date of service.**

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More information to follow...check emails.