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GOLDEN DENTAL & VISION RATE CHANGES

In September 2011, Governor Snyder signed legislation creating the Health Insurance Claims Assessment (HICA). The assessment applies to dental claims paid for services performed in Michigan. This has resulted in a very small rate increase of 1-3 cents per pay. These are the old and new rates including administrative fee:


| PRESENT DENTAL RATE | | NEW DENTAL RATE |
|----------------------------|--------|------------------------|
| Single | \$9.39 | \$9.40 |
| Double | 17.55 | 17.58 |
| Family | 22.87 | 22.90 |

Golden has also examined their recent claims experience for the vision plan. Since utilization of the plan is down, vision rates have dropped by 6-9 cents per pay. The old and new rates include an administrative fee:

| PRESENT VISION RATE | | NEW VISION RATE |
|----------------------------|--------|------------------------|
| Single | \$5.37 | \$5.28 |
| Double | 7.73 | 7.67 |
| Family | 7.73 | 7.67 |

Rate changes for both Golden Dental and Golden Vision insurance went into effect in January and will become effective immediately.

In solidarity,


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