

# ARLINGTON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

May 10, 2019

### New Medical/Prescription ID Cards

If you have health and prescription insurance coverage through one of the Empire BlueCross BlueShield Plans (Healthy Advantage, EPO Select 20 and Alt PPO Plans), by now you should have received a mailing from Empire BlueCross/BlueShield (Anthem, Inc.) that included a NEW Health Insurance/Rx Drug Identification Card. **Begin using the new ID card you received immediately** and provide it to your local pharmacies to ensure they have your updated ID card information on file. **Make sure you destroy your old Empire ID cards**. The old card contains outdated benefit details that could cause delays in coverage and delivery of your prescription medication.

IngenioRx is replacing Express Scripts as the new pharmacy benefit manager, provider of your drug benefits, including mandatory mail order prescription drugs and specialty medications. Empire BlueCross and BlueShield made the decision to migrate from Express Scripts to IngenioRx to improve the delivery of service of prescription drug medication. The enhancements include the integration of the prescription drug and medical information so that it can be accessed in one website. Other enhancements include 24/7 Pharmacy Support with Pharmacy Specialists available for member support as needed, and digital tools to initiate refills. Home delivery (i.e., mail order), and specialty prescriptions previously provided through Accredo will also be provided by IngenioRx. IngenioRx will be making a telephonic outreach to members currently taking specialty medications through Accredo, to further assist in the transition, and address any questions members may have.

#### **Reminders:**

- Begin using your new ID card immediately – do not wait until July 1, 2019
- All open refills and prior authorizations for traditional and specialty medications will transfer from Express Scripts to IngenioRx. If a prescription is due to expire on or before June 30, 2019, it will not transfer and a new prescription will be required.
- Additional notices will be sent by Empire BCBS to all members who utilize mail order. Be sure to carefully read these notices as they provide guidance on the required steps to ensure there is no disruption to the mail order delivery process through IngenioRx beginning July 1, 2019.
- Your payment information (i.e., credit card information) will **not** be transferred over to IngenioRx. Members will need to log-in to Ingenio and add their credit card information.
- Automatic refills will **not** transfer over with existing prescriptions. Automatic refill is the process by which refills are automatically processed and dispensed via mail order as a member's current Rx supply dwindles down. This is **not** to be confused with the transfer of **open scripts**, which **is** occurring. If a member has a current mail order script with Express Scripts which extends beyond the July 1, 2019 transition date, that script will be transferred over to Ingenio Rx, removing the need to have a new prescription sent in by your doctor.

There are **no changes** to your current benefit design. The prescription drug formulary (list of medications currently allowed under the plan) will remain unchanged.

Please check your mail for future communications leading up to the IngenioRx transition, effective July 1, 2019.

If you have questions, contact IngenioRx through the message center at empireblue.com or call the number listed on the new card you recently received.

## DENTAL INSURANCE RATES AND PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS

July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

To All Employees with Dental Insurance through the CSEA Employee Benefit Fund Dental Insurance Coverage.

Effective **July 1, 2019**, the renewal rate for dental insurance will be **\$137.47** per month. As a result, the employee contribution rates (payroll deduction) for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 will be adjusted.

**The monthly payroll deductions will be as follows:**

<b>UNIT</b>	<b>2018-2019 PAYROLL DEDUCTION</b>	<b>2019-2020 PAYROLL DEDUCTION</b>
<b>School Lunch</b>	\$ 43.10	\$ 45.80
<b>Salaried Teaching Assistants</b>	\$ 35.60	\$ 38.30
<b>Clerical</b>	\$ 36.85	\$ 39..55
<b>CSEA (3yrs must have dental)</b>	\$ 44.77	\$ 47.47
<b>CSEA 50% of Premium</b>	\$ 67.39	\$ 68.74
<b>CSEA Full Premium</b>	\$ 134.77	\$ 137.47

Since payroll deductions are not taken during the summer months, the dental insurance deductions will be taken in advance, on the following payroll dates:

**PAYROLL DATE**

**COVERAGE MONTH**

May 23 2019  
June 7, 2019  
June 21, 2019

July  
August  
September

Please contact the Benefits Department with any questions – 486-4450 ext. 20197