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Dear Retiree and/or Eligible Dependents:

You are receiving this letter as a current member of the Penn State retiree medical program, **Highmark Freedom Blue PPO**.

For benefit year 2017, the following plan change is being made:

- The in-network transportation benefit (wheelchair van) copayment will be reduced from a \$40 copayment to a \$10 copayment, with a limit of 24 one-way trips.

You will receive information directly from Highmark within the next few weeks reflecting the benefit change outlined above. Additional information about Freedom Blue PPO is available on our website at www.ohr.psu.edu/retiree.

All questions regarding benefits and claims should be directed to Highmark Blue Shield at 866-918-5285.

Freedom Blue PPO contribution rates for 2017:

- **ALL Other Retirees:** \$79/person per month
- **Retired AND Age 70 Prior to 1/1/2007:** \$48/person per month
- If you have a spouse and/or dependent child(ren) enrolled in a non-Medicare Penn State health plan, you will receive information regarding their 2017 rates via separate letter

Lifetime Benefit Solutions (LBS) will continue to bill you on a quarterly basis in 2017.

Information about your coverage, premium due dates and copies of letters can be securely accessed through the LBS Member Portal. Please refer to the Welcome Letter for your registration information.

If you have any questions regarding registration or your premium, please contact Lifetime Benefit Solutions Customer Service Department at 1-800-828-0078, Monday through Thursday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM and Friday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM EST.

Sincerely,

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