

2006 Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program

The Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP) Open Season will take place **November 13 through December 11, 2006.** The Office of Personnel Management (OPM) has contracted with ten plans (seven dental plans and three vision plans) to provide comprehensive dental or vision services to Federal and USPS employees, annuitants, compensationers and survivor annuitants under the new Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP).

What are the ten official FEDVIP plans?

Dental:

- Aetna. <u>www.aetnafeds.com</u>
- GEHA. <u>www.gehadental.com</u>
- MetLife. <u>www.federaldental.metlife.com</u>
- United Concordia. <u>www.uccifedvip.com</u>
- Triple-S. <u>www.ssspr.com</u>
- GHI. www.ghi.com
- CompBenefits. <u>www.fed.dentaladvantage.compbenefits.com</u>

Vision:

- BlueCross BlueShield. <u>www.fepblue.org</u>
- Spectera. <u>www.spectera.com/myfedvision</u>
- Vision Service Plan. <u>www.choosevsp.com</u>

How much are premiums?

The premiums will vary by plan and by enrollment type. For Dental rates, visit <u>http://www.opm.gov/insure/dentalvision/dental.asp</u>. For Vision rates, visit <u>http://www.opm.gov/insure/dentalvision/vision.asp</u>.

Are premiums paid on a pre-tax basis?

FEDVIP coverage is the only government-wide dental or vision program that qualifies for pre-tax deduction of premiums (premium conversion) for active employees. Pre-tax premiums are not available to annuitants, survivor annuitants or compensationers. Employees may not opt out of premium conversion.

How Do I Enroll?

Enrollment in FEDVIP takes place exclusively through BENEFEDS at <u>www.BENEFEDS.com</u> or by telephone at: 1-877-888-FEDS (1-877-888-3337) or TTY 1-877-889-5680. Enrollment in FEDVIP does NOT take place directly with an insurance plan. You may cancel your enrollment **only** during open season.

When will my coverage be effective?

FEDVIP coverage for those who enroll during this year's open season is effective December 31, 2006, even if that is in the middle of a pay period. Deductions for coverage will start with the first pay period beginning on/after January 1, 2007.

For further information, you may visit http://www.opm.gov/insure/DentalVision/index.asp.

Any questions concerning this notice, contact: NSSC Customer Contact Center 1-877-NSSC123 or nssc-contactcenter@nasa.gov

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