

Affiliated Physicians & Employers Health Plan

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Dear Member:

Good News!!! Your Affiliated Physicians and Employers Health Plan (APEHP) medical coverage plan has gotten a whole lot better... and AT NO ADDITIONAL COST TO YOU.

Starting July 1, 2016, APEHP members will be able to access the Cigna National Open Access Plus (OAP) Network. Cigna's OAP network provides you the flexibility and opportunity to choose from a variety of provider options that meet your needs and those of your family.

So.....what does that mean for me?

- **If you are a New Jersey Resident:**

Your network within the state of New Jersey will **NOT** change. You will continue to access the **SAME** QualCare Network that you use today.

You will have national access to the Cigna OAP network for emergency and elective services outside the state of New Jersey.

- **If you reside outside of New Jersey:**

The Cigna OAP Network will replace the current First Health and GHI networks. As the Cigna OAP is a national expansive network, we do not anticipate there will be significant disruption, however, if you are currently utilizing a provider for active treatment that is in the First Health or GHI network and is not in the Cigna OAP Network, you may be eligible for transitional care benefits. You can verify if your provider participates in the Cigna OAP network by visiting the following website, <http://sarhcdir.cigna.com/mcoap>.

If you believe you have a need for Transitional Care Benefits because your provider is not in the Cigna OAP Network, you can complete and submit a Transitional Care Request Form which is available on our website, <http://apehp.com/forms-documents/>.

Due to the addition of the new network, we will be replacing your current ID cards. APEHP will provide you with new ID cards by July 1, 2016. Once you receive the new card, please be sure to dispose of your old card, as we have replaced the First Health and GHI logos with the Cigna OAP logo.

We are excited about this new addition to your benefits and are committed to providing the best options for your healthcare.

Sincerely,

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If you need more information than is covered in this notice, please contact Customer Service at 1-888-670-8135. Customer Service is available Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 am and 6 pm.