



PUBLIC EMPLOYEE COMMITTEE JUNE 2025 UPDATES
JUNE 10, 2025 - MEETING CANCELLED

1. **CITY OF BOSTON ANNUAL HEALTH INSURANCE OPT OUT: JUNE 2, 2025 - JUNE 20, 2025**
 - I. **UPDATE:** eligible employees (including BPS and BPL) will use beacon to submit for opt out payment. Please read through the beacon FAQs linked below for explanation of process.
 - II. **ATTACHMENTS:**
 - a. [Beacon Opt Out FAQ](#)
 - b. [Opt Out Email](#)

2. **BCBSMA GLP1 COVERAGE FOR WEIGHT LOSS**
 - I. **BACKGROUND:** At the May PEC Meeting, we communicated that the City would continue to cover GLP1s for weight loss through at least 6/30/26, and that the City would provide further information when a decision is made as to whether we will continue to cover the weight loss GLPs beyond that date. Additionally, we provided an update regarding formulary changes effective 7/1/25. The following attachments were provided on the topics:
 - a. [BCBSMA Announcement related to GLP-1 coverage](#)
 - b. [BCBSMA FAQ](#)
 - c. [Email Template HBI Uses to Respond to Inquiries](#)
 - d. [Drug Removals for Standard Control with Advanced Control Specialty Pharmacy](#)
 - II. **UPDATE:** We have since realized that there is a GLP1 medication used for weight loss, called **Zepbound**, that is included in the formulary changes effective 7/1/25. Zepbound is moving to the uncovered list of medications as there are multiple covered alternatives available that are more cost effective. Members will need to move to a covered alternative or their provider will need to request an exception through BCBSMA.
 - III. **CLARIFICATION:** The City will continue to cover weight loss GLP1s that are on the formulary through at least 6/30/26. However, we will follow normal procedures related to formulary changes if a weight loss GLP1 moves to non-covered during this timeframe. Below is additional information regarding Zepbound & the formulary exception process.
 - IV. **ATTACHMENTS:**
 - a. [Email Template to Respond to Zepbound Inquiries](#)
 - b. [CVS Caremark Member Letter to Those Impacted by Zepbound Formulary Change](#)
 - c. [BCBSMA Medical Policy and Formulary Exception Form](#)

3. **WELLNESS UPDATE**
 - I. **ATTACHMENTS:**
 - a. [Burnalong June 2025 Calendar](#)
 - b. [Burnalong June 2025 Events](#)
 - c. [Burnalong June 2025 Fuel Your Motivation Toolkit](#)

4. **DATE OF NEXT PEC MEETING**
 - I. The next PEC meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 8, 2025 at 10:30 a.m.