

UFCW Union Benefit Plan for Retirees – Renewal 2013

The annual renewal for the Extended Health and Dental benefits provided under the UFCW Union Benefit Plan for Retirees will occur effective June 1, 2013. Each year the insurance company, Pacific Blue Cross, reviews the total experience of the plan (i.e., comparing claims and expenses to premiums) and estimates future cost increases for each benefit to determine premium rates for future coverage.

Dental - Group D909819

Dental claims are paid by Pacific Blue Cross in accordance with a recommended fee guide prepared by the Association of Dental Surgeons. Each year, Pacific Blue Cross analyzes the impact of the changes to the fee guide and the actual experience of the plan. Pacific Blue Cross conducted this review for 2013 and concluded a 3% **increase** is required to the current level of Dental Care premiums that you pay.

Your premiums will be as follows:

Coverage Type	2012 Renewal	2013 Renewal
Single	33.49	34.49
Couple	64.39	66.32
Family	95.28	98.14

Extended Health Care - Group E909819 and E040789

This is the twelfth renewal for this benefit since it was implemented January 1, 2001. As a result of the past claims experience, Pacific Blue Cross will be **decreasing** your Extended Health Care premiums by 5% for Group E040789 (with vision) and **no change** in premiums for Group E909819 (no vision).

Your premiums will be as follows:

Group E909819 (no vision)		
Coverage Type	2012 Renewal	2013 Renewal
Single	70.35	70.35
Couple	133.65	133.65
Family	133.65	133.65

Group E040789 (with vision)		
Coverage Type	2012 Renewal	2013 Renewal
Single	80.11	76.10
Couple	152.94	145.29
Family	152.94	145.29

Your new premiums will be withheld starting with your June 30, 2013 pension payment.

If you wish to cancel your coverage, you have to cancel coverage for **both** the Extended Health Care and Dental Plan. Coverage will be cancelled effective the first of the month following receipt of your request.

Please advise the Plan Administrator in **writing** of your decision. You can contact the Plan Administrator in one of the following ways:

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