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TO: NYSCOPBA Chief Sector Stewards

FROM: Sharon Smith, Health Benefits Specialist 

DATE: October 13, 2005

RE: Empire Plan Prescription Drug Program

Be advised that the Empire Plan's Prescription Drug Program went out for bid and Blue Cross Blue Shield/Caremark has been awarded the contract. Therefore, effective 1/1/06, prescription drug coverage will no longer be through Express Scripts/CIGNA. Please note:

- The change should be seamless to members.
- Members will continue to use the same insurance card they presently use for services.
- Members will not need to get new scripts for the new year; current scripts will be transferred by Express Scripts to Caremark (for both the mail service and retail stores).
- Informational documentation regarding the change is forthcoming.

Please share this information with your members; and should you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

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cc: NYSCOPBA Jt. Committee on Health Benefits  
NYSCOPBA Executive Board  
NYSCOPBA Business Agents