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11/1/11 AFTERNOON UPDATE

TO: NYSCOPBA Chief Sector Stewards –
Southern Region and Mid-Hudson Region

FROM: Sharon Smith, Health Benefits Specialist

DATE: November 1, 2011

RE: Empire Plan/Blue Cross/Blue Shield Hospital Network/
Richmond University Medical Center (RUMC)

I just received notification that Empire Blue Cross has reached a “tentative” agreement with Richmond University Medical Center. The facility has been given a 30-day extender during which time the parties can work out the details of the full agreement. Therefore, Richmond presently remains **in-network** (disregard my earlier memo of today indicating the facility is out-of-network).

I apologize for any inconvenience or confusion this may cause as a result of this last minute change.

Please share this information with your membership.

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cc: NYSCOPBA Executive Board
NYSCOPBA Jt. Committee of Health Benefits