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### **--UPDATE--**

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

FROM: Sharon Smith, Health Benefits Specialist

DATE: May 28, 2019

RE: NYU Langone Health Hospitals' Participation in The  
Empire Plan Provider Network May Expire July 15, 2019

This memo is an update of the memo I sent you on May 23<sup>rd</sup> regarding NYU Langone Health Hospitals' participation in the Empire Plan.

I stated that the agreement with these hospitals expires on July 1<sup>st</sup>. I have just been notified that their agreement with Blue Cross/Blue Shield has been extended until July 15<sup>th</sup>. Therefore, if an agreement is not reached by July 15<sup>th</sup>, these hospitals will be out-of-network facilities (not July 1<sup>st</sup> as previously stated). In addition, I mentioned that letters would be going out to affected members on June 1<sup>st</sup>. Due to the extension, those letters won't be mailed until June 15<sup>th</sup>.

Let me know if you have any questions; and as always, I will keep you updated on the negotiations.

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