

# Dental/Vision

## Notification of Changes to Your Member Handbook Effective January 1, 2004

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Commonwealth of Virginia Retiree Health Benefits Program  
Department of Human Resource Management

On the above effective date the following changes become part of your Dental/Vision Plan Member Handbook. Keep this notification with your Member Handbook. You also may access the Member Handbook and previous notifications from the following Web sites:

- Department of Human Resource Management at [www.dhrm.state.va.us/compandbenefits.html](http://www.dhrm.state.va.us/compandbenefits.html)
- Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield at [www.anthem.com](http://www.anthem.com)

### 1) Under Exclusions, item 8) regarding radial keratotomy is replaced as follows:

The Plan does not provide benefits for services or supplies that are:

- 8) For radial keratotomy and other surgical procedures to correct ***nearsightedness and/or farsightedness. This type of surgery includes keratoplasty and Lasik procedure.***

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### 2) Eligibility is revised as follows:

#### RETIREES

***Classified employees and full-time faculty members who retire and are eligible for a monthly annuity or a periodic benefit and who are not deferring receipt of their retirement benefit and who are also eligible for Medicare may add this coverage one time to their Advantage 65 Plan (or, for current members, to their Medicare Supplemental Option II Plan). The Dental/Vision Plan may not be elected as a single, stand-alone plan.***

#### VIRGINIA SICKNESS AND DISABILITY PROGRAM (VSDP) LONG TERM DISABILITY PARTICIPANTS

***Employees who are eligible for benefits under VSDP long term disability and who are also eligible for Medicare may add this coverage one time to Advantage 65 as a part of the State Retiree Health Benefits Program. This includes eligible dependents of VSDP long term disability participants who are also eligible for Medicare. The Dental/Vision Plan may not be elected as a single, stand-alone plan.***

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3) Under Eligibility, the description of an ineligible child who is self-supporting is replaced as follows:

- *A child who does not live at home and is not claimed on his/her parent's federal income tax return. Living with the other parent (if the employee is divorced), or living away at college or boarding school will be considered living at home.*

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4) Under General Rules Governing Benefits, the section entitled Cancellation of Coverage by Enrollee is renumbered as item 10) and the text is replaced as follows:

*Under the Plan, this coverage may be dropped from your Advantage 65 Plan or your Medicare Supplemental Option II Plan at any time by completing an enrollment form. Cancellation of coverage will be effective the first of the month after the form is received by your Benefits Administrator. Cancellation of Dental/Vision coverage will prevent any future enrollment.*

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5) Under General Rules Governing Benefits, the sections entitled Notice from the Company to You and Notice from You to the Company are renumbered as item 11) and 12) respectively.

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